

# SIERRA MADRE NEWS

HIGH ON THE FOOTHILLS OF MOUNT WILSON

Pioneer Section—16 Pages

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Third Annual Edition

## Our Town In The Good Old Days



**T**HIS is "Our Town." In looking back on it as it was, there is nostalgia for many of the old-time residents of Sierra Madre. But this special edition of the NEWS has a purpose broader than merely serving as stimuli for nostalgic reaction. It is designed to reveal a history of which we can all take

**T**HE TOWN HALL was the very heart of the community's life of that day. One bought groceries at Bill Robinson's store on the first floor, and in adjacent space Emil Deutsch made 5-cent "Sierra Madre" cigars. The Post Office was there. Our first residents used the upstairs for a meeting hall. There

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pride and to give us all a perspective on where we have been, where we are and, possibly, where we are going.

Take, for example, the picture above. It shows at the corner of Central avenue (now Sierra Madre boulevard) and Baldwin avenue the old Town Hall. It was built in 1887 and represented the beginning of Sierra Madre as a community although incorporation did not come until 1907.

was a stage for home talent drama. The Woman's Club was organized there. Later the new city's Board of City Trustees made it the City Hall. The famous old landmark moved over for progress in the 1930's.

We have another City Hall now that on occasion serves as a "Town Hall," but it is not, unfortunately, called upon to bring together all people, all minds and all hearts of the community to solve common problems as the meeting place did in the "Good Old Days."



# Foothill Village History Is Recorded

## Annals of 'The Tract' Told By Local Historians

By EDITH BLUMER BOWEN

On April 21, 1931, "The Sierra Madre Historical Society" was organized at a meeting held in the parlor of the Congregational Church sponsored by the Men's Community Club. A constitution and by-laws were drafted and Mrs. N. C. Carter, widow of the founder of the town, was made honorary president.

Mr. Harold Carew of the Pasadena Star-News was then elected President and Mrs. Edith Blumer Bowen, secretary-treasurer. A Board of trustees included the Reverend Arthur O. Pritchard, Mr. C. W. Jones, Mr. A. N. Carter and Mrs. J. M. Steinberger.

When elected Club historian in 1935 I was asked to write a history of early Sierra Madre. Having recently received from Mrs. Edith Hawthurst some interesting and valuable accounts of Sierra Madre written by numerous pioneers for the "Pioneer History of Sierra Madre" meeting at the Women's Club in 1921, I decided to use these manuscripts, add to them and compile "The Annals of Sierra Madre."

In compiling these Annals I and my helpers have tried to give you a vivid picture of the little town and its inhabitants in the eighties. We have endeavored to avoid dry statistics and too much detail, and have tried also to make all statements authentic and have spared no trouble in doing so.

### LITTLE VILLAGE

In order to form a picture, one must visualize a little village lying on the foothills of the Sierra Madre mountains. It might have been called the village of sunshine and sage brush for there was sage brush everywhere and sunshine flooded everything. Stretching far to the south lay the broad San Gabriel Valley—a wonderful panorama.

Sometimes on a clear day we could see through the "Gap" in the



**HISTORICAL SOCIETY OFFICERS FOR '49** and some of the members attending this year's meeting appear above. In the first row, left to right: Mrs. Edith Blumer Bowen, historian; C. W. Jones, president; Mabelle Caley Barker, secretary-treasurer; Convers Twycross, board member. In the second row: Miss Daisy Hawks; Miss Elizabeth Steinberger, custodian; Mrs. Elizabeth Dietz; Mrs. Florence Vannier; Miss Martha Pritchard, board member; Mrs. John Hart, vice president. In the third row: Mrs. Alfred Dewey, board member; Mrs. Vora Pierce Maull and Miss Clara Sykes, hospitality chairman.

Puente Hills, the ocean glittering in the sunlight, and sometimes the smoke of a ship. Then 30 miles out to sea rose Sheba's Breasts, the two highest peaks of Santa Catalina island. No factory smoke obscured the view and the air was clear and sweet and healthful.

The roads, all of them grandly called avenues, were originally plowed and graded and kept hard by constant use. In summer they were thick with dust and full of chuckholes made by heavy wagons hauling hay and grapes, and perhaps eucalyptus wood. In winter they were not so bad unless the rains were heavy and they were washed out entirely.

The roadsides were often lined with tall, wild sunflowers and sometimes were deeply cut by the water

dashing recklessly down from the mountains.

### NATURE CONCERT

It was a peaceful little village in the eighties; a rooster crowing or the distant tap of a hammer, and now and then the clatter of horses' hooves and wagon wheel were the only noises likely to disturb the afternoon siesta. The silence of the long summer evenings was broken only by concerts of frogs and crickets, the occasional tinkle of a piano, and now then the bark of a dog. There were few trees in the valley and only the occasional glow of a light in some window.

We had no gas, no electricity and no telephones, but we were happy even though oil lamps were troublesome to fill and trim, and we baked our bread in wood stoves.

Mr. William Robinson ran the first grocery store and later had the Post Office in it. The butcher drove to the door three times a week and Mr. Rank, the fishman, came every Saturday for many years. The "Vegetable Chinaman" came three times a week and the "Wash Chinaman" called for laundry once a week; sixty cents a dozen, finished.

### CHINESE LAUNDRY

The Chinese laundry was on Auburn avenue opposite where the school auditorium now stands. It always smelled soapsudsy as we passed. We could hear the clatter of tongues and irons and sometimes some of the Chinamen were outside sitting on their "hunkers" near a hydrant, cleaning their teeth with green sticks.

"The Tract," as Sierra Madre's 1100 acres was usually called, was divided by N. C. Carter, the founder of the town, into forty and twenty-acre ranches, later it was subdivided into smaller parcels of land.

The seventeen families in 1883 were a happy, friendly group and all tried to stand for what was right and fair. When a neighbor from an adjoining ranch tried to steal their water right the men lost no time in protecting it armed with righteous indignation and shotguns.

### RECREATION

Recreation was healthful and simple. Church suppers and sociables, bazaars, amateur theatricals, concerts, dances and tennis parties brought the people together.

The inhabitants of Sierra Madre were no "country jakes," they were an intelligent group of people transplanted from their homes in New England, the Middle West, northern California, the British Isles, Norway and Canada; doctors, lawyers, musicians, professors, business men and farmers. They all came with their families to California to settle and start a new life in Sierra Madre.

The following chapters will tell you how they succeeded. In this "foreword" I am merely setting the stage for the many interesting scenes which are to follow.

## THE OLD SANTA FE



**THE HUB OF TRAVEL** before the P. E. came in 1906 was the old Santa Fe Station. First a little roofed shelter with two benches, then this grander building which stands today. All mail came through the all important station, gay theatre parties took the train here for Los Angeles. S. R. G. Twycross and his wagon stand ready above to pick up the mail on one of his trips in the more than 35 years that he carried the mail.



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# N. C. Carter Founded the Town and Brought the Population

N. C. Carter's excursions brought hundreds of future Sierra Madreams to the city in the eighties and the nineties.

Carter came from Lowell, Massachusetts, because of his health and was so convinced of the healthfulness of this country as well as bewitched

by the beauty of the region that he bought from "Lucky" Baldwin and others the original Sierra Madre Tract.

The first thing Carter did was to provide water. He entered into an agreement with Baldwin for half the water rights of the Little Santa Anita.

Then they brought the water from a deep well and tunnel in the canyon. This water served the acreage below the Carter house, but the house itself was too high and a reservoir to give a private supply was necessary. Carter felt that abundant water assured the future of the region.

Carter built the first schoolhouse, the one-room building on Orange Groce. He operated the first hotel, the Vista, in Sierra Madre. He kept weather records for many years and after his death, Mrs. Carter was the official government weather agent.

When Carter first arrived there was no Pasadena—only two adobe houses. The first acreage Carter obtained was the 10 acres which was the old Richardson place, where Cypress Court now is.

Posters, such as the one below, taken from the collection of Mrs. Gladys Carter, were distributed in the New England states when Carter made trips back East to get new settlers for Sierra Madre. Carter hired special trains to transport the settlers who came chiefly from Massachusetts, Vermont and Maine.

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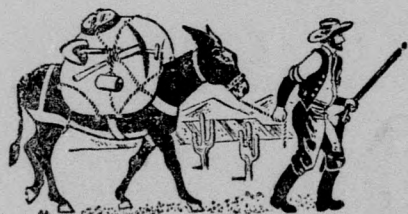
GREETINGS FROM



On The Corner On The Square

SINCE 1925

## "Daid Hoss Gulch"



WELCOME ALL YOU FOLKS TO SIERRA MADRE  
PIONEER DAYS—JUNE 9 - 10 - 11

COME IN AND SAY  
HOWDY  
TO ALL OUR PETS!

Joe Scalzo  
PET SUPPLY

Across from the  
WELLS FARGO DEPOT

### Our Climate

The climate of Sierra Madre is rarely equalled, certainly cannot be excelled. Situated thirty miles from the Pacific Ocean, its ozone-laden and spicy breezes are fresh, pure and invigorating, never oppressively hot or dry in summer, nor cold and blustering in winter. Its altitude of 1300 feet insures immunity from dampness and malaria. Sleep is never so balmy as during those cool nights, when the bracing mountain air moves under clear starlit skies, from scented pines, over fragrant orange blossoms, across flowery hillsides and through rosy lattices, steeping the senses with delight almost to intoxication. (1888)

### OUR AIR IS PURE

The air of Sierra Madre is fresh, pure and invigorating. It is good to breathe either day or night. The old-fashioned exploded idea of trying to avoid "night air" may well be disregarded. With the windows open, and an abundance of fresh night air, everyone sleeps better, is in better health and consequently in better temper. (From The Dictionary of Sierra Madre, 1906, edited by J. G. Blumer.)

### The Election—1906

The election is past. Sierra Madre voted nearly her entire registration, but Arcadia's votes fell far short. For the larger part the Republican ticket shows the largest vote, but there was much splitting on the ballots. Gillet received 113 votes leading all others. On the saloon question evidently everybody did not vote. The count stood 30 for and 62 against the saloon.

The counting of the ballots took all night and from reports some of the counters had to be kept awake by virgorous methods. (1906)

### BEAUTIFUL GROUNDS

J. C. Dickson is getting the grounds in front of his residence in fine shape. In a short time these flower plants and hedges will be beautiful. (1888)



COME ONE . . . COME ALL  
and help us celebrate  
PIONEER DAYS  
June 9 - 10 - 11

We expect a good crowd in town this week-end. Don't miss the fun . . . drag out your costumes and join us . . . make the biggest celebration that we have ever had. Bring your relatives both young and old . . . they'll all enjoy it.

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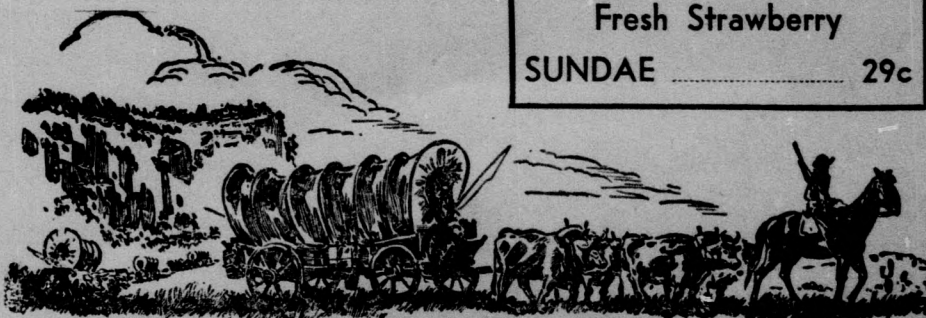
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# CITY GOT ITS FAME FROM THE WISTARIA VINE

Sierra Madre of recent years has gained a name and fame from the Wistaria Vine "up on the hill." Being the largest blossoming plant in the world, it draws thousands of visitors from every state of the nation and from many foreign countries each year.

Sierra Madre itself is now known as the "Wistaria City."

The vine was first planted in 1892. It covers 40,000 square feet. It was transplanted by Mrs. Alice Brugman 57 years ago from a gallon tin can beside her front porch at 201 W. Carter avenue.

"I hope it will grow to cover the house," she told a neighbor. "Maybe it will in about 20 years."

She had her wish. Within two years it was creeping up the side of her house and across the eaves. She tried hacking away at it in a futile attempt to control it.

## EFFORTS WASTED

But her efforts were wasted. She sold the house and the vine.

The new owner, Henry T. Fennel, was entranced by the wonder of the wistaria. He said he could almost hear the vine growing on hot summer nights. As a matter of fact, a botanical expert's recent check showed the growth of vine ends to be as much as 24 inches in a 48-hour period.

The astounding growth of the vine pushed in the doors and the windows of the old house, and Fen-

nel too gave in. He abandoned the ten-room house. A new home was built, this one fully 200 feet from the vine. But by now the vine has even reached that home. It is already clutching at the walls.

A portion of the old house still stands as the vine's support. The Wistaria is growing from a single root, but it has thousands of branches. One of them measured at 486 feet.

## FLOWER SHRINE

The Wistaria itself has become something of a flower lovers' shrine. It is now carefully nurtured, and each year for 37 years the Sierra Madre Wistaria Festival has centered around the vine. The Festival really got underway during the first World War when it was opened to the public under the sponsorship of the Red Cross.

From far and near the people came to see the extravagant beauty of the vine, now owned by the R. K. Thayers, and speculate on how much bigger it could possibly get.

## CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned desire by this means to attempt to feebly express their heartfelt gratitude to the kind friends and neighbors and in some instances perfect strangers who so nobly saved their home from destruction by fire Saturday night, October 20, 1906.

MR. AND MRS. JEROME RICE.



THIS IS THE FAMOUS Wistaria Vine of Sierra Madre as it began the process of "taking over a house." The house, which stood at 201 W. Carter avenue, belonged to Mrs. Alice Brugman. She planted the sprawling vine in 1892. It then "just grew." After the vine covered the old house, a new one, was built 200 feet away. Part of the old house still stands as support for the vine which now covers 40,000 square feet.

## CHILD'S PARADISE

Sierra Madre: The paradise for the aged and children. Children are singularly free from mortal infantile diseases; they have fewer such than in any place I have ever known. Children rarely die of ileocolitis or any of the bowel troubles incident to the summer season. (From: Dictionary of Sierra Madre and a Guide, Philosopher and Friend for Tourists, Travelers and Investors, edited in 1906 by J. G. Blumer.)

Little Miss Virginia, Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Jones, celebrated her fifth birthday last Wednesday evening. A pretty birthday cake arrived from relatives in Pueblo, Colorado, in time to gladden the hearts of the little ones. (1907)

Mrs. Maull, accompanied by her little daughter and governess, is here from Tucson, Arizona, visiting her parents, Prof. and Mrs. Pierce. (1907)

## STREET WARDENS

Raymond D. Andrews and Ralph Criswell, street wardens, nominated by the children, and confirmed by the Committee of the Sierra Madre Development Association.

Their duty is to prevent damage to street signs and the benches by the younger children, and to see that the small children do not play on the electric car tracks. The Development Association provides each Warden with a "Star". (1906)

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### HAPPY OVER COMPLETION OF ELECTRIC ROAD

Chairman Blumer of the Promotion Committee is the Recipient of Gold Watch and Chain in Recognition of His Services. Citizens from Other Towns Join in the Celebration.

March 3, 1906.—Sierra Madre's pent-up electric road feelings were turned loose this evening. They had been banking up for months. The tide swept J. G. Blumer off his feet when his neighbors represented by Attorney Camp, presented him with a handsome gold watch and chain in recognition of his services to the community.

The Town Hall was filled in response to a call of the Electric Road Promotion Committee, to hear the first plans and final report of the chairman and to jollify over the completion of the road.

It was not alone a Sierra Madre affair, but citizens from Los Angeles, Pasadena, Lamanda Park and the Villa joined in.

## We Win A Prize!



FLOWER SHOW PARADE of 1911 gave the city the Queen's Float above. A popularity contest was held for the queen of the festival. Gertrude Cook rides in the throne on the float, maids of honor Edna Staples, Mabelle Caley Barker, Margery Rice and Cora Bell. The pages are Hall Perry and Franklyn Wright.

The incorporation ball is still rolling. Give it a shove, brother. (1906)

## New Marshall Gets City Hall Tryout

### ART UDELL IS APPOINTED

### First Official Act Is To Remove City Treasurer From City Hall at Mayor's Order

Art Udell was appointed City Marshall by the city trustees last evening and within an hour after being sworn in was given a tryout in the little game of keeping the peace in our peaceful foothill city. On his first entrance into the game he scored one "unassisted putout" and another "putout" in which Alderman Steinberger was credited with an "assist." City Treasurer Lehmer was the player put out and Mayor Jones was the umpire. A "putout" consisted in escorting the player outside the door of the city hall where the trustees were in session.

It was toward the close of an otherwise uneventful session that the little by-play took place. When Mayor Jones called for "new business," Mr. Lehmer showed a check with note attached, which he said he had found on his desk and wanted to know what to do with it. In reply to questions of the mayor he said he had never seen the check before, did not know there was such a check in existence and knew nothing of the matter to which it pertained. It was cited in May. The mayor said it was his own fault if he knew nothing about it, for Clerk Carter had tried a number of times to get him to accept the check in payment of delinquent taxes on a piece of property bought by a member of Mr. Lehmer's family at a city tax sale. He said the property had been cleared on the city's books and the matter was closed so far as the owner was concerned. If Mr. Lehmer cared for the money, he could take the check, otherwise it would go into the waste basket.

It was a threadbare source of contention around the city hall and the mayor dismissed it as needing no further attention and being of no concern to the board of trustees then in session. The mayor's gavel failed to stop Mr. Lehmer's explanation of the check, concerning which he seemed suddenly to have acquired knowledge and after several attempts to stop the noise the mayor "got his Dutch up." Now in the language of the old college song, "When Dutch meets Dutch, then comes the old tug of war." The mayor called on the new marshal to do his tugging for him, and remove Mr. Lehmer from the City Hall because he was disturbing the meeting.

The treasurer retired to his "office," about two strips of carpet south of the council table, and announced his intention of staying there. The marshal was insistent that he step outside the city hall door. After fooling away several minutes and locking his desk, safe and otherwise delaying the game, Mr. Lehmer was attacked by a bright idea. Walking over to the door he "stepped right out and turned around and stepped right in again," taking a seat outside the spectators' railing. Mayor Jones directed the marshal to put him out to stay, calling for assistance if necessary. Suffering the handicap of a mending leg which was recently broken, the marshal called upon Trustee Steinberger for assistance, which was readily furnished. In another minute the treasurer found himself moving involuntarily toward the door, when he suddenly decided he needed the check he had left on the council table. The check was handed him through a crack in the door which was then closed. And

## ELECTRIC CARS

Travel Increasing Wonderfully, But Time Is Here to Agitate  
For Better Service, More Cars.

### LATE SERVICE SADLY NEEDED HERE

Nearly all things have changed since the NEWS first published in 1906. But the Pacific Electric goes on forever. In that year P. E. service was started. Between approximately 6 a.m. and 9 p.m. P. E. had 17 scheduled trips leaving here for Los Angeles. Now, 46 years later, the schedule is hardly changed — there now being 20 trips between the same hours, although there are five additional trips earlier and later. The population then was about 600. It is now about 7200.

From The News—1906

Many people are coming in here every day and travel is increasing wonderfully on the electric cars. It is time we were starting some agitation for better car service. For instance, two cars only leave Los Angeles for Sierra Madre in the evening, one at 8:10, the other at 11:15. Perhaps some others here have had the experience that the editor and his wife had not long ago. They arrived at the station just in time to see the rear lights of the 8:10 car going up the street. And had a weary wait of three hours and five minutes until the next car. Then there ought be another car leaving Sierra Madre later than 9:15. Think this over and maybe we can find a way to make the Pacific Electric hear our voice. (1906)

#### TIME TABLE

Pacific Electric Railway 1906	
Leave Los Angeles	Leave Sierra Madre
6:05 am	6:15 am
6:45 e	
7:10	7:00
8:10	7:47 e
9:10	8:15
	9:15
10:10	10:15
11:10	11:15
12:10 pm	12:15 pm
1:10	1:15
1:45 e	2:15
2:10	2:47 e
3:10	3:15
4:10	4:15
5:10	5:15
6:10	6:15
8:10	7:05
11:15	9:15

e—Combination express and passenger service.

#### No Saloons Here

There is not a drinking saloon in Sierra Madre, and there never can be, and there is no one here who would have it otherwise. (Sierra Madre Vista, 1888.)

This afternoon the Modern Priscillas will meet with Miss Bixby on Central Avenue. Last week, Thursday, Miss Bowers entertained the club. (1906)

#### TIME TABLE

Pacific Electric Railway 1949	
Lv Los Angeles	Lv Sierra Madre (Wilson Trail)
4:58am.	4:44am
5:40	5:50
6:30	6:09
7:19	6:36
8:14	6:50
9:14	7:03
10:24	7:26
11:24	7:39
12:24pm	8:32
1:24	9:25
2:24	10:25
3:12	11:25
3:57	12:25pm
4:12	1:25
4:32	2:39
4:57	3:28
5:07	4:23
5:27	5:15
5:47	5:41
6:17	6:31
7:27	7:42
8:57	9:09
10:17	10:29
11:27	11:39
12:37 am	12:49am

#### Off Again

S. E. Rhoades, who has been driving the bus, has quit worrying about meeting Santa Fe trains and gone to Pasadena. (Nov. 8, 1906)

#### EDITORIAL (1906)

It is the purpose of the News to report fully on all that concerns the varied interests in our town. We want all the news and have no desire to slight anyone or any interest in the matter of mention in the paper. If it seems at any time as if we do so, it means simply that we published what news was available. And so if you think that you or the interest that you represent have been slighted, the remedy is for you to send in more information to us and we will gladly give space for all news.

#### ANOTHER HAPPY COUPLE Jackson-Petzoldt

Another wedding was solemnized at the Church of the Ascension on Tuesday night. Bernard Jackson, whose cheerful countenance we see so often behind the graphophone at the butchershop, and Miss Margaretha Petzoldt are the two who decided to link their future destinies together. The wedding came off rather unexpectedly, and was a simple private affair with only a few witnesses. The couple have been seen around town since the eventful evening and seem to be in the seventh heaven of bliss. They have rented Mrs. Brugman's house on Mariposa avenue. (1907)

#### News to the NEWS

In the last issue the editor asked that items of news be sent to the paper. He also stated that all items should be signed by the sender. It seems necessary to print this notice again and this time in black type. Some folk wonder why items sent in this week have not been published. We cannot publish news unless we know where it comes from. (1906)

#### MT. WILSON WAGON TRAIL

At times during the last couple of weeks residents of Sierra Madre might easily have closed their eyes and imagined that they were listening to the roar of some distant battle. Daily the air is startled with quick, heavy reports, sometimes a dozen in rapid succession. Were it at night we might think that the crowd that Rip Van Winkle met were merrily having out their game. But alas for any attempt to throw a mist of mystery about the thundering. It is only the work of giant powder blasting out the new wagon trail up Mt. Wilson. (1906)

Chas. Kersting has grown tired of riding the trolley cars and has purchased an automobile. (1907)

#### Telephones Here!

More signs of progress for our town! The Home Telephone Company of Monrovia has definitely decided to install an exchange here. Plans are being completed for putting in a thoroughly up-to-date system for Sierra Madre. The board will have a capacity for 250 phones and free switching is promised with Pasadena. Further particulars will be available as soon as the details are settled. (1906)

#### Now—Street Lights

What is the matter with having some street lights on some of the bad corners. Only a few nights ago Dr. Manning caught a bad fall in the dark on Lima street, and the fact that others have not done likewise seems due to the way people who live here are getting used to seeing in the dark, something like cats do, we presume. Is this in keeping with the progressive spirit of Sierra Madre? (1906)

#### A Word About Advertising

The advertising columns of the News will be open for all legitimate advertising. It will be our endeavor to make this part of the paper as interesting and readable as the news section. All advertising of a questionable character will be strictly excluded. This paper will not become party to the humbugs so prevalent today by admitting them to space in its columns. Quacks, fakers, patent medicine manufacturers will have to go elsewhere for publicity. We aim to keep the paper clean and ask the patronage of those who have legitimate announcements to make to the public. (First issue, Sierra Madre News, Oct. 11, 1906.)

Miss Laura Alden, who claims a direct descent from John Alden of Colonial fame, has come here from her home in Delafield, Wisconsin, to spend the winter with her friend, Miss Fannie Hawks. (1907)

#### No Mud Here

Our streets are almost perfect, summer and winter, and such is the nature of the soil that paving of no kind is needed. Mud is impossible. (1888)

when the treasurer attempted to unlock it and reenter the room he found the new guardian of the peace of the community seated comfortably with his back against the door. (The News, Aug. 11, 1911.)



# Sierra Madre - A Name Becomes Legal In 1907

Sierra Madre a City, Feb. 7, '07

The election of last Saturday passed off rather quietly, although throughout the day there was plenty of bustle and suppressed excitement, and many conjectures were made as to the result. At no time really was the question of incorporation in doubt. The first few hours of the morning showed that everyone was interested in the question at issue, and before noon two-thirds of the total vote had been polled. At five o'clock when the polls closed 99 votes had been cast out of a possible 104.

The room was crowded while the count went on, and outside a large crowd waited impatiently to hear the result.

The following are the complete returns:

#### For Trustees

J. C. Pegler .....	94
J. Krafft .....	92
C. W. Jones .....	91
E. W. Camp .....	59
N. H. Hosmer .....	55
W. S. Andrews .....	47
A. N. Carter .....	43
J. C. Pegler, J. Krafft, C. W. Jones, E. W. Camp and N. H. Hosmer being the five highest on the list are elected.	

#### For Clerk

J. J. Graham .....	61
S. T. De Pencier .....	32
W. S. Andrews .....	1
L. C. Torrance .....	1

#### For Treasurer

L. C. Torrance .....	92
J. J. Graham .....	1

#### For Marshal

W. P. Caley .....	56
L. L. Clark .....	38
B. Andrews .....	1
G. Caskey .....	1
For incorporation .....	71
Against incorporation .....	25

As soon as the election returns are properly certified to by the Secretary of State, we will receive notification of our recognition as a city. (Sierra Madre News, Feb. 7, 1907.)

When the city of Sierra Madre voted to incorporate in 1907 with 71 voters favoring incorporation and 25 against, the first Board of Trustees with C. W. Jones as mayor took upon itself the task of managing a business which was totally unorganized and without resources.

Of the first city council two members are still living and live in Sierra Madre. The home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Jones is at 49 East Alegria, and Justus Krafft lives at 448 West Highland.

"The city had no property, no water, no improved streets, no ordinances, no tax money," said Mr. Jones. "The city ran on credit from February, when it was incorporated, until October, when tax monies came in."

"During the first 7 years of incorporation, we started the water department. Condemnation was secured for Lucky Baldwin's half interest from his estate in the water rights of the Little Santa Anita, and Lucky Baldwin had never been cooperative, to put it mildly. The city voted bonds and bought the other half interest in the Sierra Madre Water Company."

#### FIRST BOARD

The first Board of Trustees passed scores of ordinances. Though paved streets were objected to by some, the city paved, curbed and guttered 11 miles of city streets.

The city, however, put in practically no sidewalks.

"Sidewalks, too, were then opposed—now I wonder why," Mr. Jones added.

The city, after incorporation, leased one room in the then newly constructed block of business buildings on Kersting Court. The block was called the First National Bank Building and the Bank also had one room.

Before this definite "City Hall" was provided, the Trustees had met in the real estate offices of the old Sierra Madre Realty Company in a one-story building, now razed, in



C. W. JONES  
He was city's first Mayor

the present location of the Christian Science reading room.

#### CITY HALL

After moving into the new quarters, with "City Hall" blazoned on the front window, the problem of furniture with which to set up housekeeping confronted the city fathers. Lack of money complicated matters.

"But Jack Wright was court reporter in Los Angeles at that time and knew many county and city officials personally," Mr. Jones said. "It was through him that the Board of Supervisors sold us our 'furnishings' for \$5. We got a lot of discarded tables, chairs and other things."

Back in 1907, in addition to the many weighty problems that beset the Trustees, there were other constant naggers to give them trouble. Two of these were the burros and tent houses.

Stables were maintained on Mira Monte for the rental of burros for trips up Mt. Wilson Trail.

"The stables on Mira Monte were quite alive with burros," Mr. Jones said, "and they became the source of complaint from the neighborhood."

#### BURRO TROUBLE

"And because the 'industry' spread along Mountain Trail and even to the P. E. Station on Baldwin and Central (Sierra Madre boulevard), much difficulty was encountered in getting rid of what had really become a nuisance."

"There was the problem of unsanitary conditions arising out of the burros being tethered constantly on the streets. At one time the owner attempted to evade the law requiring that animals be 'off the streets.' He built a plank platform just five inches above the level of the street. His burros were 'off the street'—in one sense. But his evasions didn't work."

Because of Sierra Madre's reputed—and real—healthful climate, many persons afflicted with various illnesses, including tuberculosis, sought out the little city at the foot of the hills. They swarmed here and

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#### Town Meeting

The meeting of our citizens called for by the Improvement Association comes this Saturday eve. It is exceedingly important that every voter attend. The question of incorporating, which is with us the burning question of the hour, is to come up. Other matters pertaining to the welfare of our town will also receive attention. What we need just now is an awakening of civic pride together with hearty cooperation for the general good. Selfishness is suicidal. Those who labor for the interests of others further their own. (1906)

Incorporate we must if Sierra Madre is to continue to grow.

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## The Good Old Strap Was a School Relic

Used in Disciplining Boys in Public School

PUPILS HID THE STRAP

Prof. Coates Punished the Boys and Sent One Home

An incident which was caused some comment in the city the past week, the more so because of garbled and sensational accounts published in Los Angeles and other papers, occurred in the school last Friday afternoon when Prof. Coates administered corporal punishment to three of the boys, one of whom, Frank Leon, was sent home.

So far as we are able to learn, the facts are about as follows:

Some of the boys got into the schoolhouse at night, took the strap away and hid it. When the principal felt he had occasion to punish some of the boys, he missed the old

## Our Public School

The Sierra Madre public school opened for the present school year September 12, 1887, with Miss Abbey M. Michaels as teacher, forty-six pupils being in attendance. Owing to the numerous grades or classes, and the prospect of a considerable increase of population during the winter, it is thought best to divide the school, and employ another teacher, and the services of Miss Rose Everett of Santa Barbara were secured.

strap, and after investigating the matter, Frank Leon was sent after it. When the professor attempted to use it, Frank Leon, the older boy, resisted, jerking away the strap. A short struggle ensued over its possession, and after recovering the same, Mr. Coates applied it and sent Frank home. (1907)

Business letterheads are a specialty at the Sierra Madre News.



AND THIS was the third schoolhouse built in 1906 on site of present grade school. The existing school was built in 1930.

## School Children

The enrollment in the public school has passed the 100 mark and is still increasing. (1906)

The new schoolhouse is putting on a business-like appearance. The concrete foundation is complete and the floors are being laid. (1906)



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## The Schoolhouse on the Square

## THE 3 R's

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## STOOD 'TILL 1906

By Elizabeth Steinberger

A one-room board and batten schoolhouse on what is now Hermosa and Orange Grove presided over by one teacher turned out graduates from the first to the eighth grades back in the 'good old days.'

The three R's were taught with McGuffey's charts, Andrew's wall maps and an abacus. The natural sciences were brought home with the help of White's physical manniken, a magnet and a magnifying glass. These items are on the list of supplies for the year 1889, when school expenditures amounted to about \$71.

Manners and courtesy were taught with the help of "corporal punishment." The spanking of a recalcitrant was not uncommon. One of the little Smith boys was spanked regularly during the spring of 1889 for beating his little sister on the way to school.

## HAD 19 PUPILS

In September, 1878, Miss Nannie Straus had 19 pupils. She was followed by Mrs. E. L. Finley and Miss E. B. Lawrence. Pupils as young as four years old were entered in their classes. Removal from school because of death from diphtheria was a common entry in



FROM THE DOORS OF THIS little schoolhouse the kids poured onto the playground that was where the P. E. Station now stands. The three tall girls along the back row in this picture are the Blumer Girls—now Mrs. Edith Blumer Bowen, Mrs. Elsie Blumer Hart and Mrs. Hulda Blumer Thacher. From the Chapman ranch to school on a burro came Richard Chapman, pictured on the extreme right. Mrs. Carlton Pegler is seated on the ground, second from the right. Just over Dick Chapman's shoulder is Jim Hawks, father of Engineer R. A. Hawks.

the teacher's roll book.

In 1881 Professor Edward T. Pierce came to Sierra Madre. The pupils in his school at that time included Pliny Gregory, later a school trustee, Ruth Gregory, Winona Trussell, Jacob Trussell, Freddie and Florie Smith and Pinkie Trussell.

The school then drew from the whole area including Chapman's ranch, Santa Anita and

Lee and Jessie Crandall.

the San Gabriel Mission. Children came miles to school on ponies, burros and on foot.

## MOVED TO KERSTING CT.

After several years the school was moved to the spot on Kersting Court where the News office now stands. This building at first was also a one-room affair, later two more rooms were added.

Until 1902 this was the Santa Anita School district. In January of that year Trustees Pliny Gregory, A. S. Sinsebaugh and Uncle Henry Hosmer asked the County Board of Supervisors to change the name to the Sierra Madre School district. In March the change of name was consummated.

The pepper trees at the present P. E. station are the original pepper trees that were on the school grounds when children from these families played there—the Chapmans, Gregorays, Blumers, Steinbergers, Bixbys, Reeds, Norris' Dicksons Osgoods, Camps, Pools, Krebs Olsens, Vanniers, Smiths, Harts, Andrews and Carters.

## THE TEACHERS

A few of the teachers at that time were Regina Dixon, Chloe B. Jones, W. H. Hornby, Hersa

As the town grew and more space was needed for the school, a deal was made whereby C. S. Kersting built Kersting Court and the school was moved to Hermosa and Highland avenues. This was first a frame building of 5 rooms which later grew into 12 rooms. A kindergarten and domestic science building were separate from the main one. Several bond issues were voted for additions to the original building and the last of these was retired in the past 10 years.

The old domestic science building was moved to Sunny-side when the present building was built. The Jewish center moved 2 rooms to Lima and Laurel for use there.

In 1930 the present school was completed and occupied.

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# Churches Came With Settlers to the City

The first religious organization in Sierra Madre was a Sunday School which met in 1882 in the first School house on Hermosa and Orange Grove.

The first superintendent was Adonijah Gregory, a Quaker. Then came W. S. Andrews, a Baptist; C. E. Cook, a Methodist, and John Dickson, a Congregationalist.

To this Sunday School came people of all faiths. Occasionally services were held with outside ministers, Presbyterians, Episcopalians, and others.

From the start representatives of the ritualistic and the freer type of services were in the community. Each group naturally followed its own bent and soon the Episcopal group began work for a church. The leader in this movement was Miss Fannie Hawks who gave time and money and the land on which to build an Episcopal Church.

## MISSION FORMED

In 1885 the mission was formally organized by Bishop Kip, and services were held in the schoolhouse. During the fall of that year a small building was built on the land given by Miss Hawks on Baldwin and

Grandview. The building was finished in February of 1886, and the first services were held that month.

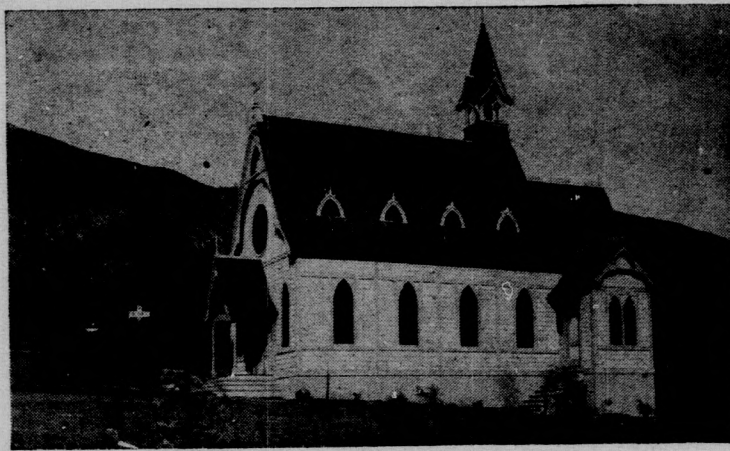
During the night of October 10, 1887 a severe windstorm swept the little church to the ground.

Miss Fannie Hawks looked out of her window the next morning and discovered the shambles. She whipped up her horse and sped in her carriage to the pastor's home to break the news. When they inspected the ruins, they found that the nails had been too short.

The next day, amid the ruins, a meeting of the church was held and enough money subscribed to begin another building. This was built and completed in 1888 and is the basis of the present building.

## MET AT SCHOOL

The non-liturgical group continued to meet in the schoolhouse under the leadership of the Reverend Lafayette Gordon, and they organized a Congregational Church in 1886 with a charter membership of 13. These first were C. E. Cook, Mrs. Belle Cook, Mrs. Mary Abbey, Joseph Goodwin, Mrs. Mary A. Reed, Mrs. Fidelia Blanchard, Mrs. Josephine White, Irving White, Hu-



THE TOWN'S FIRST CHURCH stood for but a year. After years of need for a meeting place, enough subscriptions to build the church were finally guaranteed. The Episcopal group erected this modest structure in 1886. The following year a severe windstorm blew down the little building. Amid the ruins the next day the congregation met and subscribed enough money to build another church on the same site, given by Miss Fannie Hawks. This second church is the basis for the Church of the Ascension which stands today at Baldwin and Laurel avenues.

bert Whitehead, Mrs. Fanny Andrews, Mrs. Annetta Carter, Miss Florence Carter and George B. Davis.

When the Reverend Lafayette Gordon returned to Japan, where he had served as a missionary, the Reverend Lucius Frary became the minister. Later under the leadership of the Reverend E. P. P. Abbott, the congregation grew, and a building was planned. On the land donated by W. S. Andrews and C. E. Cook on Sierra Madre boulevard opposite Hermosa avenue, the church was built in 1890.

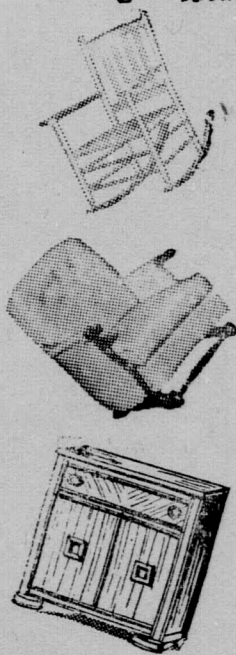
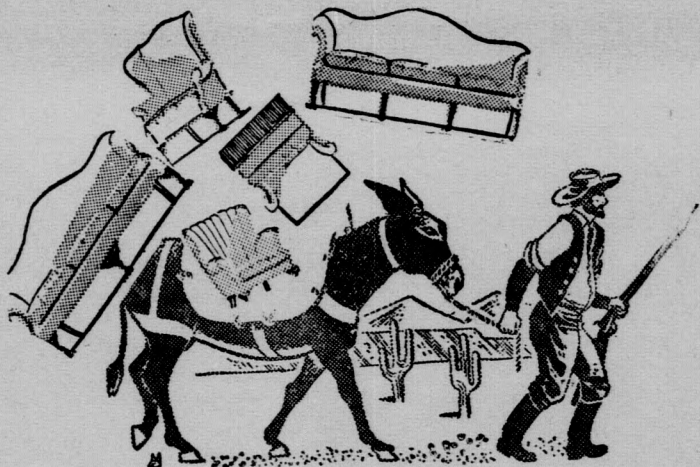
A company of Plymouth Brethren met in the City Hall for many years in the early 1900's. Father Barth began Catholic services about 1907. Bethany Church and the Jewish congregation came after these early original churches.

## Lights for Church

The wiring of the Episcopal Church for electric lights has been completed, and as soon as the current is turned on the regular evening services will be resumed. (1906)

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# Womans Club A Pioneer Group

## Organization Formed In 1907 By Local Women

BY MABELLE CALEY BARKER, Historian

On a crisp, moonlight night early in the month of January, 1907, Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Copps and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Dietz wended their way to the Captain Osgood lemon ranch on South Lima street, where they had been invited for supper and an evening of Five Hundred.

As they sat around the table, Mrs. Osgood remarked that she had said at a meeting of the Friday Morning Club in Los Angeles that Sierra Madre could not support a woman's club. The Osgood dinner guests took exception to this answer, for they felt certain that if the right people were contacted, a woman's club could be organized. They offered to canvass the town.

A few days later, Mrs. Copps and Mrs. Dietz called on prospective members and found them enthusiastic. In February, 1907, a group of women met at the home of Mrs. Bentham, wife of the Rector of the Church of the Ascension. Mrs. E. T. Pierce had prepared a Constitution and By-Laws, which she read and which were accepted. The ladies asked A. N. Adams for the use of the old town hall for future meetings. Mr. Adams, L. E. Steinberger, Capt. Osgood and Louis Dietz cleaned up the hall for the second meeting which was held on March 11, 1907, and on that day, fifty-four members signed the roll and regular officers were elected. They were: President, Mrs. Caroline Osgood; vice-president, Mrs. Louis Torrance; secretary, Mrs. Minnie Bronson; treasurer, Mrs. W. S. Andrews; directors, Mesdames Copps, Dietz, Dickson and Lettau.

### BUILD CLUB

For over two years the Club met in the old town hall and then Monrovia built their Woman's Clubhouse. The Sierra Madre Club ladies decided that if Monrovia could have a Woman's Clubhouse, so could Sierra Madre. Then began a great money-earning campaign. They selected two lots across from Norris' store on West Central avenue.

Ways and means of earning money, were limited in those days. Chicken pie suppers were popular but the women had to work under difficulties, there being neither gas nor electricity in the town hall, and

so the ladies had to carry their kerosene stoves, cooking utensils, dishes and silver up the steep and narrow stairway to the hall where they prepared these suppers. In the summers, ice cream socials were held. The Steinberger family, Lawless and Lettaus, all owned cows and donated the cream while the club ladies gave strawberries and peaches from their gardens.

After two years of socials, dinners, parties and the subscription of



LAYING THE CORNERSTONE of the Woman's Clubhouse, after two years of money-raising socials, theatricals and suppers, took place on May 10, 1909. Tending to business on the platform left to right are Mrs. J. A. Osgood, Mrs. C. E. Bentham, Mayor C. W. Jones, Board of Trade President J. W. Keyes. The Monday Musical Club singing was made up of Gertrude Cook, Mabelle Caley Barker, Edna Staples Yerxa, Alta Rice, Elsie Caskey Gillilann, Mrs. W. E. Bechtelheimer and Sue Graham.

July 1st, 1909. The opening ball was a very fashionable affair.

### SOCIAL AFFAIR

Among the social affairs dear to the heart of all charter members was their first Christmas party held in the old town hall in 1907, when the children of the members were honored guests. Old Santa Claus, impersonated by Marshal Wm. Caley, because he was fat and jolly and beloved by children, came riding down from the mountain on a burro with a gunny sack full of gifts slung over his shoulder. He rode right up the narrow stairway into the auditorium where he distributed the gifts to the delighted children.



MRS. CAROLINE OSGOOD  
First President

stock, the laying of the cornerstone took place on May 10, 1909, and the clubhouse was completed on

The first flower show, held in the new clubhouse in the spring of 1911 was a three-day event that drew the attention of the whole San Gabriel Valley. A long-remembered feature was the exhibit of Califor-

nia wild flowers gathered by the school children of Sierra Madre under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Jones. There were 150 different varieties.

For many years these flower shows continued. A specialty in 1914 was an 8-mile ride around the town given to out-of-town guests for 50 cents. This gave them a chance to see the beauty spots of our city.

### FLOWER SHOW

The flower shows were superseded by the Wistaria Fete, the first one taking place in the Spring of 1919. This was given in joint co-operation with the Sierra Madre Board of Trade. Profits were to go toward erecting a brick Soldiers and Sailors' Memorial building. On the opening Sunday the sailors and soldiers were special guests.

Miss Nina Kellog (Mrs. George Norris) whistled "The Mocking Bird." Out-of-town guests remembered this for many years on ac-

count of a real mocking bird which took its place in the wistaria and whistled along with Miss Kellog.

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### MAIL FROM EAST

In the earliest days, the mail came to San Gabriel and each rancher was responsible for his own. Then Prof. Pierce's house became the rendezvous of all townspeople to get their messages from Eastern families and friends. Prof. Pierce naturally became Postmaster at the huge salary of \$150 a year. The Post Office remained in the Pierce home until they moved away in 1883, then it was moved to Mr. Robinson's store.

In 1890 S. R. Norris acquired the grocery business founded by the Andrews brothers. In 1893 Norris was appointed Postmaster and installed the first system of lock and call boxes. When he retired as Postmaster in 1897, he kept the boxes in his store and maintained a sub-post office until rural free delivery was established in 1918.

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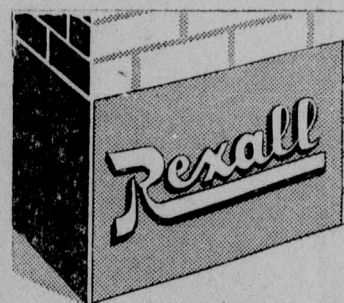


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# 'Lucky' Baldwin--A Magic Name

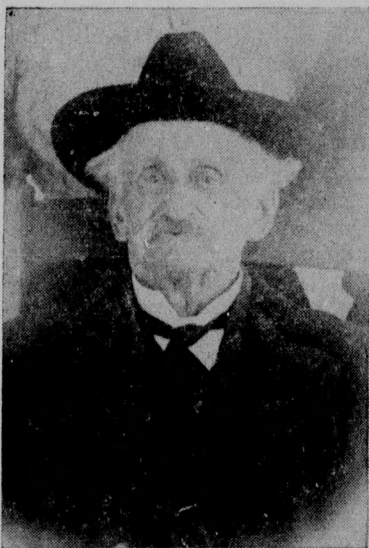
## TURFMAN

Once Owned Most of That  
Which Is Now The  
City

It was in Northern California that Lucky Baldwin (Elias Jackson Baldwin) first gained his financial independence, but it was in Southern California that he won his greatest fame.

Baldwin made his biggest "lucky strike" at Virginia City in stock of the Ophir mine, in which he was said to have cleaned up \$20,000,000. But he always maintained that the title "Lucky" was a misnomer and attributed his financial success to foresight and hard work.

With his winnings from the gold fields he came south and began his empire by buying 60,000 acres in San Gabriel Valley. This land included the famous Santa Anita Ranch of which the Sierra Madre



**E. J. (LUCKY) BALDWIN**

Tract, purchased later by N. C. Carter, was a part.

### FAMOUS HOUSES

At Santa Anita, Baldwin had the stables which produced some of the most famous horses of the American turf history. He was the only man to win four American Derbies. In 1907 Baldwin, George Rose and Barney Schreiber undertook the development of Santa Anita race course at Arcadia where Baldwin had long had dreams of establishing a western Monte Carlo.

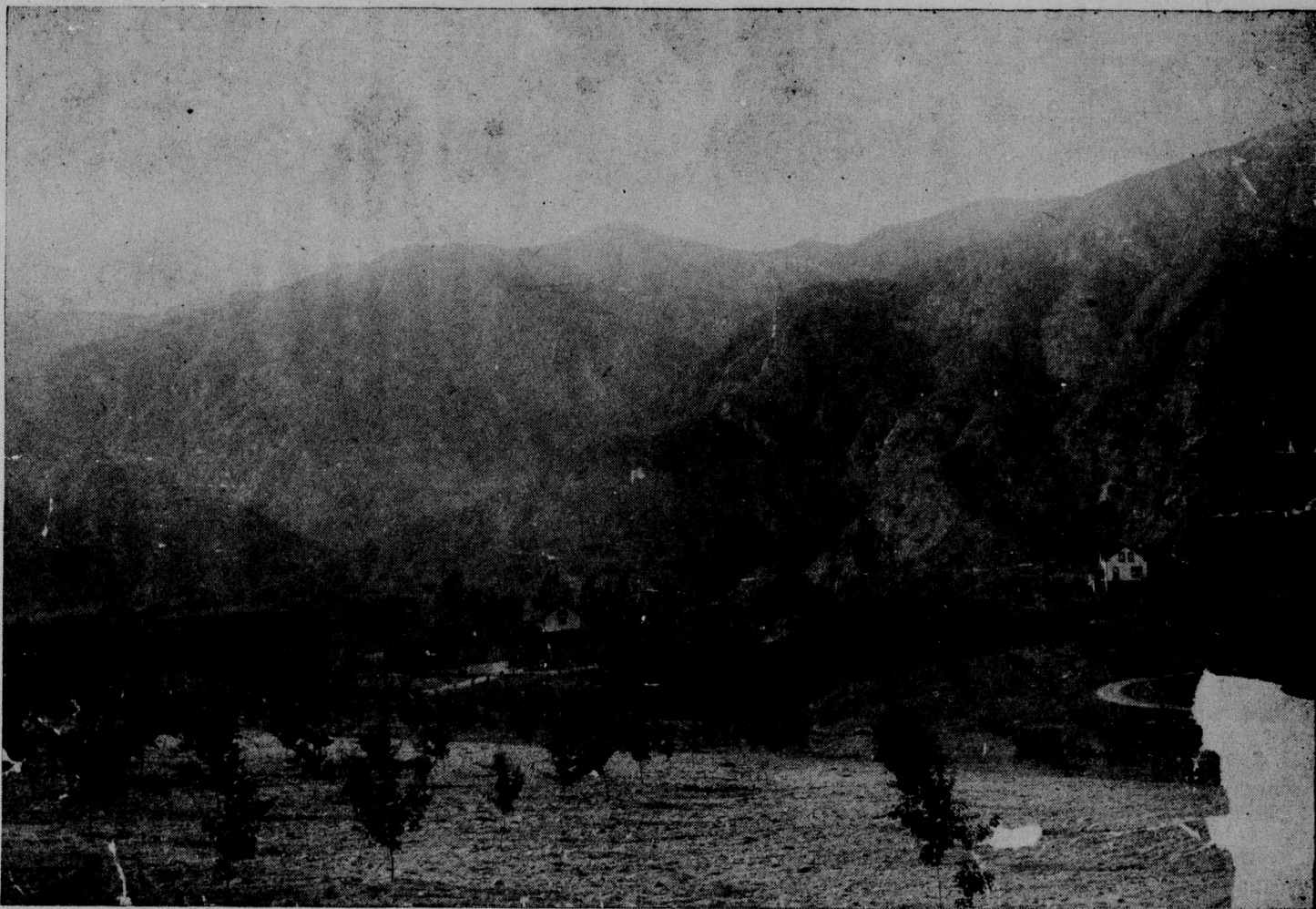
For many years Baldwin held a feeling of animosity for the people of Sierra Madre. It arose over the development of the water source of the Little Santa Anita. The fight was carried through a long struggle in the courts. Baldwin finally lost. After that nothing coming from Sierra Madre looked very good to him, and many times he took the opposite sides in questions concerning the foothill town and the valley.

When Lucky Baldwin died in 1909 he left an estate of \$25,000,000 to his relatives.

### ORIGINAL OWNER

The original Santa Anita of 12,000 acres was owned by L. J. Rose, and the portion purchased in 1881 by Carter, which became Sierra Madre, was part of Rose's holdings. Of the original 12,000 acres, 4000 became the Chapman Ranch, and the remaining 8,000 acres changed hands many times before being acquired by Lucky Baldwin.

Rose cultivated the lands as a vineyard during his tenure and operated a winery which pressed half a million gallons of wine and many thousands of gallons of brandy yearly. Rose died in August of 1909.



THE MOUNTAINS and the uncluttered view like this kept the people here whom N. C. Carter brought out on excursions. This picture comes from the collection of R. C. Lewis and was taken in the nineties at approximately the corner of Adams and Grandview. The center house is at the site of the present Oscar Seiling home. Thenext to the right is the Humphries house and at the right edge is the site of the present Lewis home on Toyon Road.

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# LIBRARY IS ONE OF OLDEST IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY

By Lulu Moore

The Sierra Madre Library is the fourth oldest city library in Los Angeles County and the tenth oldest in southern California. It was founded by some of the original settlers of the city, and in July, 1886, it was incorporated under the laws of the state of California. The present building was built in the following year. In 1888, the library housed 600 volumes; in 1943, more than 14,000.

When Sierra Madre was but a community of ranches lying at the base of the mountains there was no public financial support for a library, so the leaders of the community banded together.

## LIBRARY FUND

At the time the library was started there were about fifty families living in Sierra Madre. Approximately forty of these subscribed \$3,041 to the fund for the erection as \$2000 of this amount, was donated by Mrs. R. E. Ross in memory of the building. The land, as well



MUSICALS AND THEATRICALS put on by groups like this raised the money to keep the Public Library going for many years after its start. This was a "Fan Drill," performed in 1889, when the young ladies did "stunts and things with the fans in time to the music." The young ladies with their hair up for the first time for most of them are left to right front row: Mabel Robinson Pegler, Loa Holmes Andrews, Ada Ayles Kenyon, Alice Bixby Close, Jessie Gregory Chase, Violet Ayles Gresham, Connie Trussell, Elsie Blumer Hart. In the back row, left to right: Emma Duetsch Anderson, a visitor, Ruth Hawks, Daisy Hawks, Hilda Blumer Thacher, Blanche Ayles Edith Blumer Bowen. THE SOLDIER IS Captain Charles Miner. The picture is from the files of the Historical Society and identification was made by Mrs. Bowen.

ory of her husband.

The community at that time boasted of but one church, the Church of the Ascension located about where the present building stands; one school house which stood where Kersting Court now is; the town hall on the northeast corner of Sierra Madre Boulevard and Baldwin avenue; and five or six store buildings.

## CO-OPERATIVE TASK

This was indeed a small settlement to undertake a cooperative task, such as a public library, which was destined for many years at least, to be supported by the annual dues and subscriptions of its members and users.

The original directors were Professor John H. Hart, chairman; Mr. W. R. Crisp, Mr. P. T. Reed, Mr. J. H. Lewis, Mr. N. H. Hosmer, Mr. Percy R. Wilson and Mr. W. S. Andrews. The personnel of the board of directors did not change often, many of the members serving from 10 to 20 years. Mr. Hart served for 21 years, Mr. John G. Blumer served for 19 years, and Mr. S. R. Norris was a member for 18 years.

For about two and a half years after the library began the board paid a librarian \$12 to \$15 a month, then it was clearly seen that it would be financially impossible to continue paying a stated salary.

The scheme of having different members of the association act as librarian for one month each in rotation was used, their only remuneration received was an annual membership in the association. This unique arrangement worked successfully for twenty years.

It was not until July 1908 that a regular librarian was employed again with a salary of \$12 a month. In 1910 the city took over control of the library and since then the entire support has been from the city.

The present Board of Library

## NEW HOTEL HERE HAS ELEC. LIGHTS

The opening reception of the Hotel Sierra Madre was a brilliant affair. About two hundred were in attendance. Mrs. S. C. Collins was assisted in receiving by Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Bentham.

Miss Lou Craft of Los Angeles and Mrs. W. E. Beethelheimer entertained the company by singing and the time passed pleasantly for all.

Mrs. Townsend served at the punch bowl. Refreshments were served in the dining room, Mrs. Chas. Ferry and Miss Blumer presiding.

The rooms were tastefully decorated in red and white and many ferns. Over all the new electric lights cast their brilliancy and made a pretty scene indeed. (1906)

## Fine Work

We have inspected a buggy made by Jacques & Richardson for Levi Richardson, and pronounce it a fine piece of work. It is a top buggy of the piano-box style, with Brewster springs. The woodwork was done by Levi Richardson; the iron work by W. Y. Jacques, and it was painted by R. D. Terry. Each has done his work well and the result is as good a buggy of the kind as can be found in town. (March, 1888.)

Trustees consists of Ross Hiecox, chairman; Miss Martha Pritchard, secretary; Mrs. Edith Blumer Bowen, Dr. Raymond Simpson, and Mrs. J. Stadden Miller. Miss Lulu Moore has been librarian for the past 25 years.



COMPLETED IN 1887 when there were only 50 families here, this building still houses the Public Library. Thousands of books have come and gone and electric lights have come to stay since the 'good old days.'

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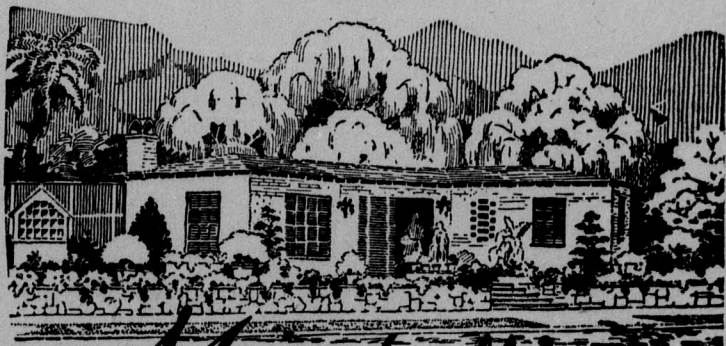
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# List of 'Firsts' in Sierra Madre Is Imposing Record of Pioneering

The "firsts" of Sierra Madre can start a discussion with much dissection. The papers and documents of the Sierra Madre Historical Society contain statements from most of the city's pioneers, and the Historical Society has done much research on the "Firsts".

In true story book style, Anita Carter, the first girl born in Sierra Madre married the first boy born here, Holt Gregory.

There is disagreement as to which was the first house built. Temporary dwellings which were not really houses complicated matters. When N. C. Carter acquired this tract, there were two houses or cabins on the property. One was a cabin belonging to John Richardson and his wife, and it stood on Mt. Trail, about opposite Sturtevant Drive. The other was the cabin belonging to the Smith family and it was on what is now Canyon Crest.

The first families came to Sierra Madre so near the same time that the records are interlocked and confused. Between the fall of 1881 and January of 1882, at least eight families moved into the Sierra Madre tract. They were the Trussells, Hawks, Gregorys, Spauldings, Clements, Cooks, Pierces and Hosmers.

## FIRST HOUSE

W. A. Spaulding laid claim to having built on Laurel avenue the second house in town, and his records gave credit for the first house to A. J. Gregory, who built on Sierra Madre boulevard (then Central avenue).

In a discussion in 1941 between Mr. Spaulding and the Rev. A. O. Pritchard. Mr. Spaulding said, "I built the second house on the Tract and it is now occupied by the family of H. W. Glidden. A. J. Gregory, who lived below me on Central avenue, built the first house and helped



THE FIRST BUSINESS BLOCK in town, built before the turn of the century, did a big business as Hawks and Copps Real Estate firm. It graced the northeast corner of Baldwin and Central (now Sierra Madre boulevard.) The survey was used to show prospective Sierra Madreans the "lower 40."

me build mine. I paid him \$1 a day, next to the second grocery Hotel on Lima and Grandview was and that was all he asked." The owned by Olive and W. S. An- built the same year. deed to the Spaulding property was drews.

The first wedding in Sierra Madre was performed on March 7, 1883. Winona Trussell, daughter of one of the first families, was married to Edward B. Jones of El Monte. This young couple built the original house where the Wistaria Vine Gardens now are on Carter avenue.

## THE SCHOOLHOUSE

The first public building erected in Sierra Madre was the schoolhouse. It was built on the northwest corner of what is now Orange Grove and Hermosa avenues. It served a wide area, including Baldwin's ranch, Chapman's and part of Lamanda Park.

According to the paper written by John W. Hart, one of the students of the little school, in the Historical Society's collection, "this school house consisted of one room, about twice as long as it was wide. It was built of redwood boards up and down with battens over the cracks. It had only one door and the teacher sat at the north end and, of course, faced the door."

The first teacher for the school living in Sierra Madre proper was Prof. E. T. Pierce, though two others preceded him dating back to 1878. Professor Pierce taught during 1822 and 1883.

## OUR GROCERY

The first store in Sierra Madre was W. H. Robinson's Grocery, opened in 1884 in his own home. He lived on a tract of land east of Baldwin on the south side of Central. In the fall of 1886 he built the house on North Baldwin, later occupied by Perley Poor Sheean.

In this house he used one room as a store, but later rented the corner store in the new Town Hall built in 1887. Later his wife became Postmaster and the post office was installed in the rear of the store.

In 1886 C. M. Clark started a hardware store at Lima and Cen-

N. C. Carter on the northeast corner of Auburn and Mira Monte during 1882 and 1883.

About 1885 Emile Deutsch came to Sierra Madre and built a house and a cigar factory on Baldwin between Laurel and Victoria Lane. He continued to work there until his death in 1920. Martin Olsen opened a shoe shop on East Central in 1887 and the business later passed to his son, Henry.

Miss Fannie Hawks built a business block on North Baldwin, later occupied by the book store, and the apartments above. S. R. G. Twycross opened his real estate and insurance office in 1887 at his home on Baldwin and Esperanza and later he inaugurated the bus line to the Santa Fe Station.

## THE CONCORD PICNIC

There is to be a basket picnic in the Little Santa Anita Canyon next Wednesday, the 28th inst., to be composed entirely of people from Concord, Massachusetts, and their descendants. There was a similar picnic held here three years ago, at which there were but seventeen present. This year it is expected that there will be at least seventy-five present. There will surely be a merry time. (First issue Sierra Madre Vista, Mar. 17, 1888.)

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SIERRA MADRE: It is the Paradise of the aged and of children. (1906)

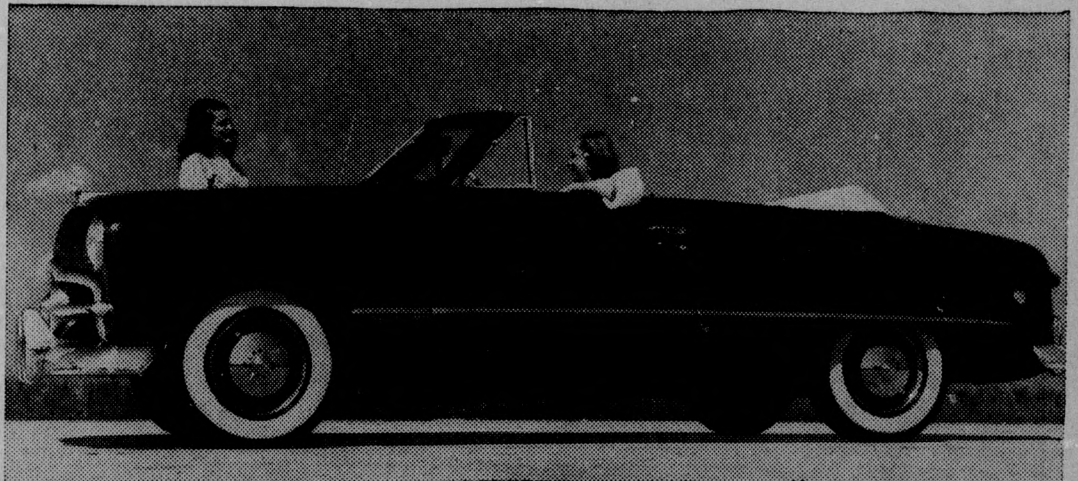
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# Disastrous Fire Starts City's Fire Department

By JIM HEASLEY  
Fire Chief

One night in the year 1919, a disastrous fire occurred (where the Arts Guild building now stands). A bakery burned, and the fire could not be controlled by the local untrained men without proper equipment. Only a hand hose cart was then in use.

It was necessary to call in the Monrovia Fire Department to extinguish the fire, and the merchants of the city decided that more and better fire protection was needed. At the next meeting of the Board of Trade President Felgate appointed Art Udell and Earl Topping to investigate the costs and possibilities of Sierra Madre obtaining a fire engine and other equipment.

Arrangements were made and the American La France Fire Truck Company brought a truck to Sierra Madre for a demonstration which was so impressive that the City Engineer immediately approved the engine and action was taken to retain it.

During this demonstration a small boy was badly crippled by having his leg broken when the high pressure hose escaped the hands of the amateur fire fighters. This proved more than ever the necessity of a trained fire fighting force. So a special meeting of the Board of Trade was called to discuss buying the fire engine. Because the Board was not a corporation, there was some difficulty, but the representative of the American La France Company made many concessions. The Board of Trade was given thirty days to make a down payment.

During the next month the merchants gave freely and because the down payment was secured so quickly the truck was left in Sierra Madre. The importance of having trained men was not forgotten and the Volunteer Fire Department of Sierra Madre was then organized. Earl Topping was elected the First Fire Chief of the city. Following

him were Ralph Ordwalker, Tom Henderson, Bill Richards and the present Chief, Jim Heasley.

## ORIGINAL MEMBERS

The original members of the Fire Department still living are Happy Rhodes, Frank Hildebrand, Art Udell, Roy Edwards, J. G. Norris, Earl Topping, Charles Askew, Orval Kellogg, W. Brooks, Ralph Ordwalker, J. M. Steinberger, Harvey Steinberger, Robert Steinberger, Ike Steinberger and Guy Steinberger. Among the first twenty members were also these men: Joe Ordwalker, Norm Morrison, Henry Olsen, Carol House, and Alois Karger.

There were so many men who wanted to join the fire department that it was necessary to organize a "Firemen's Club," made up of men of all trades and businesses of the city. The club needed quarters and the fire equipment housing. The truck was then being stored in J. M. (Milt's) Steinberger's garage, where the Tie factory now operates. Plans were made for the purchase of the lot where the City Hall now stands and funds were raised by subscription and donations.

## RAISE MONEY

Enough money was raised to build a wall and place a temporary floor over the basement. This was used as a meeting place for some time. A sudden difficulty in obtaining money developed and the property was then transferred back to the City with certain provisions among which was that the city was to furnish the fire department with quarters for meetings and housing for the equipment.

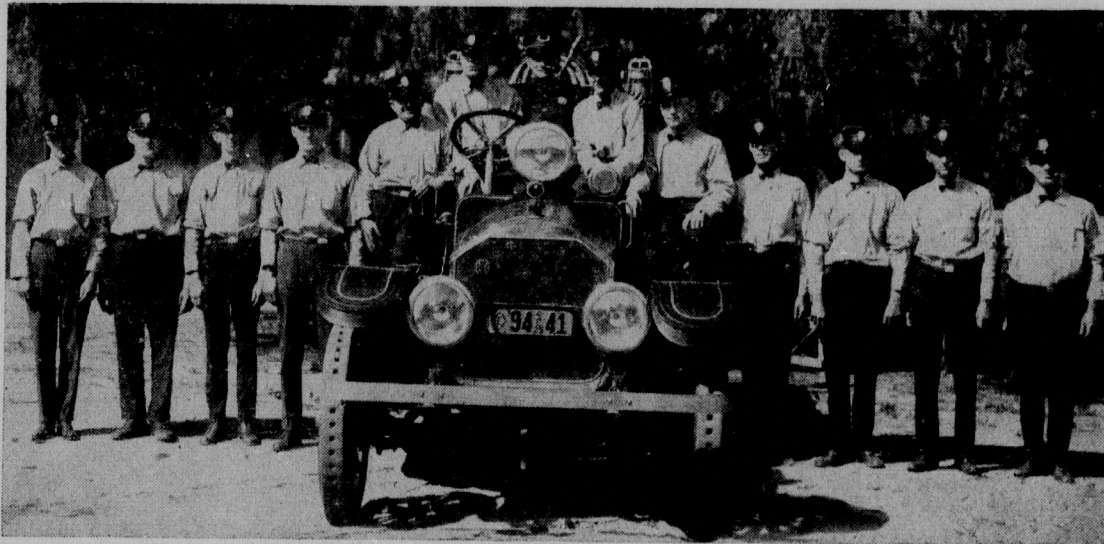
Not long after the return of the property to the city the Firemen's Club disbanded and only the Sierra Madre Volunteer Fire Department remained. It was when the Firemen's Club was still active that the first Christmas Tree Party took place. This first party was held at the present site of the City Hall.

## City Suits Tarr

N. W. Tarr of Los Angeles, who came out here some time ago just to see how he liked the place, has decided that Sierra Madre suits him exactly, and so last week he bought lot 7 of Mrs. C. B. Jones tract, where he will build a home before long. (1906)

## On Again

S. E. Rhoades is back on the bus. Evidently he thinks that Sierra Madre's climate agrees with him better than that of Pasadena. Now the horses will jog along in the same old way and the bus will move as of yore. (Nov. 15, 1906)



HERE ARE THE GALLANT LADDIES who manned the old La France pumper when the Volunteer Fire Department got underway. The old truck is still running. Left to right the fire eaters are Frank Hildebrand, Vernon Udell, Carol House, Jim Heasley (the present chief), Alois Karger, Ike Steinberger, Chief Tom Henderson, Guy Steinberger, George Norris, Gilbert Keyes, Lee Hibbs, Steve Pestel and Gregg.

The event is now a tradition in Sierra Madre and each generation of fire fighters enter the spirit of the occasion.

## MAKE TRUCKS

Many old pleasure cars were transformed into fire trucks by such fellows as Frank Lovell, Vernon Udell, Joe Swanson, J. M. Steinberger, and Bob Babbit, all good mechanics.

Because the "home made" equipment was badly worn and outmoded when built over, it was not expected that it should serve as the city grew. The time arrived when a reliable fire engine was needed and to replace the last remaining "home made" piece of equipment a brand new beautiful truck was bought in the year 1945. It is now the city's most reliable engine. Besides this the first engine truck remains in service and is still dependable.

Many men have come and gone. Several have remained more than twenty years and are still active. Others have retired from active service.

The first members to receive a twenty-year service badge were J. Milton "Shorty" Steinberger, George Norris, Lee Hibbs, Alois Karger, and Chief William Richards. Steinberger and Norris are the only two remaining of this group, Alois Karger having recently passed away. Steve Pestel was given a twenty-year badge in 1942 and in 1944, Jim Heasley and Vernon Udell were the next members to receive this honor. Gordon McMillan had served as fireman twenty years in 1946, and Joe Swanson the following year.

## ACTIVE LIST

The present active list is composed of James C. Heasley, Chief; J. George Norris, first Assistant Chief; Vernon Udell, second Assistant Chief; Charles Brown, Captain and Secretary; Joe Swanson, Captain of First Aid; Mercer Duff, Treasurer; Robert Newbery, Gordon McMillan, Andy Liseomb, Harold Spears, Ralph Twedell, Marvin Thomas, Tom Solury, Robert Thomas, Eugene Toms, Robert Clark, Edward Decker, Joe Grippi, Richard Hawks, Arthur Johnson.

On the auxiliary roll are James

Brown, James Tyler, Robert Orme, Melvin Morse, Eber Thomas, William Newberry, D. Vanderpool, Lewis George, Jessie Rhodes, and Hubert Kelley.

There are many names that are included in the success of the fire department, some of those who have passed away and others who still stand by and watch the progress. Too much credit cannot be given those who have grown old as fire fighters and yet we cannot overlook the work of the young men who make our fire department so efficient as it is today.

## Fire Destroys Home

Late last evening fire destroyed John Lee's home on Mountain Trail avenue. He and his son live there in a tent house. Mr. Lee was warming his feet at a coal oil burner and stooping quickly to pick up a newspaper, kicked it over. The floor was all aflame at once. It happened so quickly that it was all he and his son could do to get out, to say nothing of getting anything else out. Assistance was quickly at hand so that adjoining buildings were saved. There was no insurance. Mr. Lee values his property loss at \$1,000. (L. A. Times, 1906).



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# POLICE ONCE HAD PORTABLE JAIL

## Department Grows From Constable to 8-Man Force

By GORDON G. McMILLAN  
Chief of Police

The Sierra Madre Police Department has the responsibility of policing this city of 7200 population covering an area of approximately 3.6 square miles. This task is simplified to some extent by the lack of major through highways.

Sierra Madre is no longer "off the beaten path," however. It is rapidly building up within its borders and development of adjoining areas on the east, south and west has already changed the character of this one-time small town to a contiguous part of the metropolitan area bringing with it many of the law enforcement problems common to the large city.

Advancement and expansion of the Police Department has kept pace with the growth of Sierra Madre to the extent possible with limited funds available for that purpose. Our present force consists of eight men, including the Chief of Police, a matron on call, two (3-way) radio-equipped patrol cars, our own emergency radio station, KMA302, which was newly installed in January, 1949, recently acquired photographic equipment and other items of lesser importance.

### IN CITY HALL

Twenty-four hour service is maintained with a patrol car in service and a desk officer in charge of the office. Our housing facilities are in the City Hall, constructed in 1928, and consist of a room where records are kept and all business is transacted, including booking and fingerprinting of prisoners; partial use of another small room, a two-call jail for male adults only and limited storage facilities.

In spite of the fact that our of-

fice and jail facilities are not adequate to meet present needs of the department, a long step forward has been made since the day in 1926 when the writer joined the department as "night man." At that time all the city departments were housed in one room on Kersting Court. Council meetings were also held in that same room.

Police department facilities consisted of a roll-top desk near the front window, a portable steel jail cell in the back room and a Studebaker touring car which was also used for other city business as the then Chief of Police, Arthur M. Udell, was Street and Park Superintendent too.

### CALL LIGHT

City Hall was closed and locked at 5 P.M. The night man came on at 8 P.M. and went off duty at 5 A.M. A red call light at Baldwin and Central (now Sierra Madre Boulevard) was turned on from the telephone company office by the telephone operator to attract attention of the night man should a police call come in while he was away from City Hall making his rounds of store buildings or patrolling in the car. The population of Sierra Madre at that time was about 3000.

Law enforcement "Pioneering" in Sierra Madre began when the city was incorporated in 1907 and its first City Marshal, W. P. Caley, was appointed. Following him for terms of varying lengths were George Ray, Arthur M. Udell, Harvey Steinberger, J. C. Webb, Arthur M. Udell again, E. H. Keegan and George H. Cox who was succeeded by the writer, G. G. McMillan, in 1929. During Udell's second term in about 1926, the title of City Marshal was changed to that of Chief of Police.

## Our Boys Today



THE REBUILT STUDEBAKER has been replaced by modern radio cars for the present police department. Left to right above are Chief Gordon G. McMillan, Policeman D. J. Rauscher, H. S. Embree, W. R. Mackie, M. E. Gotcher, J. C. Heasley, P. R. Bird and W. S. Chunn.

### Postmaster

Our postmaster is soon to move into more commodious quarters. He will occupy the room between Russell's store and the meat market. (1906)

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R. H. Hudson was down from Sierra Madre Saturday and made us a short call. Dick, as you know, is the man who owns the Hudson River. If you happen around his way, just drop in. (Gardena Reporter, 1907).

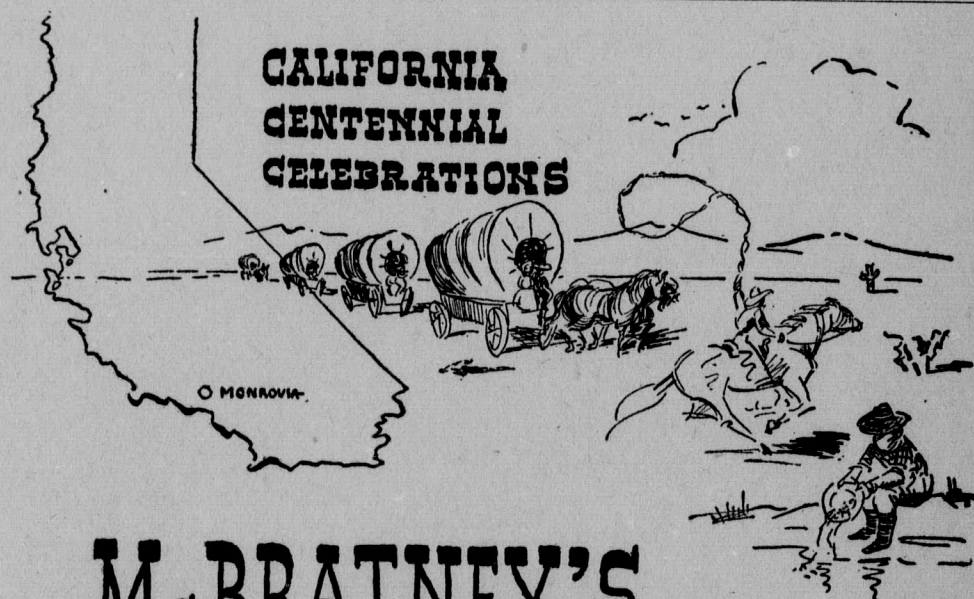
### World Fair

Gov. Gillette displayed wisdom in refusing to approve the bill appropriating a million dollars for the San Francisco World's Fair in 1914. The governor deems such action at this time premature. If some of the San Francisco boodlers can be made to disgorge perhaps a sufficient sum could be raised in this way to run a few expositions. (1907)

### Priscillas Meet

The Ancient Priscillas met on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. H. Vannier on Ramona Avenue. The club will again do the work of helping in supplying the College Settlement in Los Angeles with clothing and other necessities.

The meeting next week will be at the home of Mrs. W. S. Andrews. (1906)



## McBRATNEY'S

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### Growing Population

Hon. John P. Dunn, State Controller, has expressed the opinion that Los Angeles county, alone, is capable of sustaining population of three millions of people; and he supports his faith by some very cogent reasoning. Mr. Dunn was not and never has been a resident of the Southern part of the State; but he has been here and investigated for himself, is a man of deliberate and sound judgment, and has arrived at the above conclusion after careful consideration. He thinks Southern California can "bloom" on its merits for twenty years to come. (Sierra Madre Vista, (1888).

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## SIERRA MADRE BECOMES A CITY

(Continued from Page 4)

camped in tent houses throughout the city.

### REST HOMES

"It was an unhealthful and dangerous condition," Mr. Jones said. "And in spite of our wish for everyone to have the advantages of Sierra Madre's health-giving atmosphere, we felt we had a responsibility toward the others as well. Finally, for those who were really ill sanatoriums were constructed, and they all had a proper place to recuperate."

And how does the job of being a councilman now compare with that of the trustees who gave their services at the very inception of the incorporated city?

"I know that it is now, as it was then, a labor of love," said ex-Mayor Jones. "In the 7 or so years of my being mayor, I was never home more than one or two evenings a week."

"It was a night and day, every day job with us."

"And I realize what it means for us to have had about 750 townspeople then, as compared with the 7500 now."

"The present city councilmen feel that they have a very busy time and many demands made on them."

### HAD A CITY

"But they had a city—and a city well established when they took over. I don't think we could say that for 1907."

"We hear most now about the pleasant living of a long time ago—but we worked as hard, and in many cases much harder, to live, and to build something here for the future."

"We had a city of people and personalities then, too, and where there are people, there are problems."

"I will just say that when the early councils turned the city over to succeeding councils, they turned over a business in a fairly well-organized and improved state."

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### Full Speed Ahead

Sierra Madre is taking on new life and is pressing forward at a very good speed. The town has recently incorporated and an active set of city officials elected, with Walter Haas, Monrovia's popular city attorney, as its legal adviser, and J. H. McClymonds, Jr., of this place as city engineer. She has also organized a Board of Trade composed of her most active citizens, who are planning a campaign for the betterment of the town. With a city government, a good Board of Trade, a live newspaper, and her well-known resources, Sierra Madre will march to the front as one of the best of the County. (Monrovia News 1907)

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### Milk Scare

Milk seems to be the scarcest article in town. Accost milkman and tell him you want some milk and watch how quick he gets scared and whips up his horse.

To our patrons, Notice is hereby given that the price of milk will be raised on Dec. 1st to ten cents per quart straight . . . H. P. Olsen, Sierra Madre Dairy. (1906)

## Woman's Club Pioneer Group

(Cont. from Page 6)

Cabaret show which created a near scandal. It was arranged beforehand that for entertainment Marshal L. E. Steinberger and City Attorney C. C. Montgomery would start an argument and at the end of the argument, Marshal Steinberger was to bodily assist Montgomery into outer darkness. This was done but one of the Los Angeles papers, always eager for sensation, made a feature story of the event, and then it was up to the ladies to vehemently deny any scandal was connected with their cabaret and that everything was done in a spirit of fun.

### STREET CLEANING

On November 9th, 1908, the club played hostess to the Street Cleaning gang. Mayor Jones proclaimed the day a holiday so that everyone could get out and clean up the streets. At 5:30 o'clock that morning, Uncle Henry Hosmer, of Revolutionary stock, awakened the townspeople by setting off dynamite. Then the church and school bells were rung to call the people to their task.

Those who could not participate in person sent a day's wages of \$3 and laborers were hired. The club women served a delicious dinner at

noon to the workers, free of charge, in the old town hall. The streets looked so fine, they decided to do this every year.

In 1912 the club opened the clubhouse to the community on election night. Taft, Wilson and Teddy Roosevelt were the candidates that year. For the price of a quarter, you could enjoy an evening of pictures, election returns, coffee, gingerbread and doughnuts. That was the year when the club decided they needed a piano; Mrs. Maggie Steinberger suggested giving picture shows three times a week. This continued for three years and finally the piano was bought on the proceeds of the Perils of Pauline.

### VACATION COTTAGE

In 1917, the club sponsored a vacation cottage for working girls. It stood on the southeast corner of Mountain Trail and Montecito avenues. The club paid the gas, water and lights, and the occupant furnished the food. Two weeks were allowed to each individual. Many working girls from the city took advantage of this lovely rest cottage.

These are just a few of the activities of the Sierra Madre Woman's Club, in their forty-two years of existence. Of the fifty-four women who signed the charter that day in March, 1907, only nine are living today. They are Mrs. Charles Hill of Spokane, Wash.; Mrs. C.

H. Baker of Pasadena; Mesdames Wm. Caley, Louis Dietz, C. W. Jones, Alice Staples, Tascar Webster, Miss Elizabeth Steinberger, all of Sierra Madre, and Miss Edith Pictor of Newport Beach.

Foremost in the minds of the hundreds of women who have been members of this club, was always the object for which it was founded: "To stimulate intellectual development; to promote unity and good fellowship among its members; and to strengthen individual, philanthropic and reformatory effort."

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### Keep Polls Here

Some time ago the people of Arcadia made an effort to move the polling place for this precinct from Sierra Madre to their incorporation, and apparently were successful in getting the change. However, energetic efforts of N. H. Hosmer and others succeeded in putting before the Board of Supervisors on last Monday a petition bearing the signatures of 120 of our voters against the proposed change, and now we have the assurance that Sierra Madre citizens will not have to go to Arcadia to poll their votes. (1906)

## GREETINGS . . . To Sierra Madreans



Let's go up to Sierra Madre and have some fun . . . They're celebrating Pioneer Days this weekend . . . Get out the horse buggy and the old-fashioned or western costumes and join the crowd.

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OVER 100 YEARS AGO, a carpenter building a saw mill glimpsed yellow specks in millrace mud. The year—1848, the man—James Marshall; the place—Captain John Sutter's Fort at Coloma on the American River in Sacramento Valley. Thus was born an era never paralleled in America's History. GOLD, GOLD, GOLD . . . the magic word spread from coast to coast.

### In 1907

The same year Sierra Madre was Incorporated as a city . . . THIS BANK was incorporated as the First National Bank of Sierra Madre.

### In 1922

The National Charter was surrendered and the BANK was re-incorporated as the Sierra Madre Savings Bank.

### In 1946

THE NAME WAS CHANGED TO

## THE BANK OF SIERRA MADRE

### In 1949

After three months of remodeling, the Bank of Sierra Madre is proud of their new modern quarters. The modern building with its trim lines and new front, provides one-fourth more floor space for patrons and bank employees.

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# The Good Old Days

## Parade To Be Big Success

Dozens of Entries Now In

HORSEMEN, BANDS, FLOATS

Parade Man Ripple says Event to Be Best in Years

Saturday's Pioneer Days Parade will get going at 10:30, after formation on Highland just East of Baldwin, promised Sterling Ripple, Lions Parade Chairman.

He also promised that this year's parade would be longer and better, if that's possible, than the previous two. Entries are still coming in and will be accepted through Friday.

The Grand Marshall, Mrs. Edith Blumer Bowen and the Pioneer Ladies, Miss Elizabeth Steinberger, Mrs. Dickson Leguin and Miss Daisy Hawks, will lead the Parade in one of —Turn to page Three—

## OUR THANKS TO HISTORIANS

The Sierra Madre Historical Society has been for many years at work gathering and editing the "Annals of Sierra Madre."

Mrs. Edith Blumer Bowen, the Society's Historian, has compiled and prepared for publication the papers written by and about many of the pioneers of the city as well as the early stories of Sierra Madre.

The book is now ready to go to the publishers and advance subscriptions are available.

Much of the material and many of the pictures for the Pioneer edition of the News has come from the Historical Society's files. Some of it has come from the book itself, such as the story of the Society on this page.

The NEWS wishes to thank all members of the Historical Society for making available its files for this special edition and for the great cooperation and courtesy which has been shown us.

## A SNOW STORM

IT SNOWED IN JANUARY 1889

The residents of this part of the valley were treated to a peculiar and unusual scene Monday afternoon. The day had been like a March day in the East with showers streaking the horizon in various directions and threatening clouds frowning across the blue sky and casting shadows athwart the sunny valley. About three o'clock the light-winged vapors were massed in the direction of "Old Baldy" and the swirling phalanx moved westward along the summits of the Sierras, sweeping on from peak to peak and forming an irregular line along the mountain sides. The feathery flakes were tossed and whirled about and mingled with the sunbeams that wreathed the storm cloud in a halo of splendor. It was a rare and inspiring scene. (1889)

## Tree Frogs Out, Chameleons In

Florida Tree Frogs Would not Live in California, Say Pet Experts

Chameleons to be Awarded By Lions, News

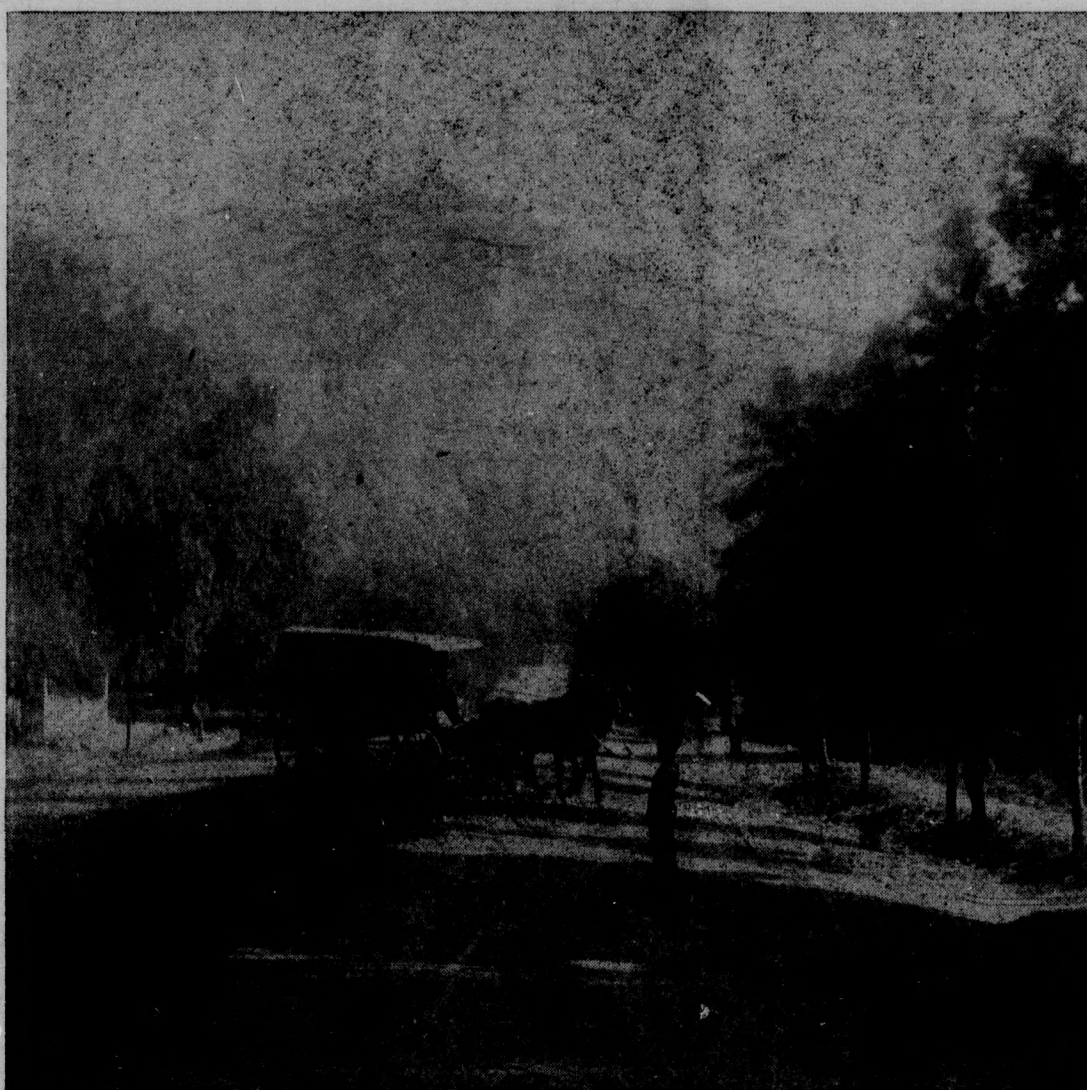
There's been a change in plans, kids.

Chameleons, with collar, chain and all, will be given out Saturday at the end of the Pioneer Days Parade route, instead of tree frogs. Pet authorities informed us that the tree frogs wouldn't live very long confined without the tree. Then, too, they'd have to be imported from Florida—and you know what that would mean in California.

Chameleons, on the other hand, are native born. They make good pets, change colors—and with the chain attached can be worn on the lapel.

The Lions Club and the News will give the chameleons to Sierra Madre children under twelve officially entered in the parade in any costume. They'll be living at Scalzo's Pet Shop until distributed. The Chameleons, that is.

## MR. TWYCROSS AND HIS BUS



S. R. G. TWYCROSS AND HIS OMNIBUS could make 'U' turns on Baldwin and Central in The Good Old Days. There wasn't even a City Marshall at first when Baldwin avenue bumped up the hill as it does in this picture from the files of the Historical Society. The 'Pooh-Bah' of the Foothills himself (Mr. Twycross) is holding the reins governing Bess and Dobbs who gave the power to the bus always for more than four trips a day between the Santa Fe Station and Sierra Madre, come rain or shine, snow (1889) or mud (Never.) Sierra Madre boulevard today runs across Baldwin just beyond where the bus stands—in fact right where the little boy is looking. Who's the little boy we haven't found out—but probably a present day tycoon.

## Mr. Cleveland Likely Winner

It seems to be the general opinion that Mr. Cleveland will be renominated by the St. Louis convention; therefore, interest centers mostly on a contest for the second place on the ticket. William W. Vilas, of Wisconsin, seems to be the most prominent aspirant for this honor. (1888.)

## QUICK WORK

A grass fire at 155 Olivera Lane was extinguished in five minutes Friday after a 10:01 a.m. call.

W. A. Evans and family arrived this week from Indianapolis, Ind., to make their home here. They have rented two of Mrs. Wellington's tent houses. (1906)

## NOTABLE HOME

Sunnyview, the lovely home of J. G. Blumer, Esq., is one of the most notable in Sierra Madre, and was inadvertently omitted last week in our sketch of such places. There are so many of these fine residences along the crest of the tract, it is difficult to remember them all. (1888)

## School Ma'am

Packed House Grooms Local Dramatists at Big Shindig

FUNDS BUY SCHOOL ORGAN

As was to be expected, "The School Ma'am" made her bow to a packed house Thursday evening. For the first time we saw our ordinarily ample Town Hall over-crowded, many being compelled to stand during the performance. Everybody and the children were there.

The instrumental music by the Misses Hawks was thoroughly appreciated, the piano solo by Miss Laura receiving a hearty encore. The vocal duet by Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Hook was very fine. Truly, Sierra Madre has more first class musical talent in proportion to population than any community in which we have ever resided.

Of Miss Michaels' recitation, "Woman's Rights," we could only say that the "make-up" was too pretty and the delivery too graceful for the character supposed to be represented. Of those who took part in the play, it may be truthfully said that all did well.

Individual mention is not demanded, but we think we should be pardoned if we say of the three juniors in the cast—Miss Constance Trussell, as "Mary Underwood," Miss Daisy Hawk as "Minnie Trueblood," and Master Osgood, as "Johnnie Grump"—that they far exceeded the expectations of their friends.

Financially, the entertainment was a splendid success, and the fund which was designed to inaugurate starts out well, and we may hope to see the children of the public school supplied with a good organ before the beginning of the new year. (1888)

## A FALL

While Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Henzey were engaged in picking ferns on the Wilson Trail near the quarter way house last week, Thursday, the latter accidentally slipped and fell over a thirty-five foot water fall, landing in a pool at the bottom. She has about recovered from her fall. (1907).

## Days of Yesteryear

## Come to Life Again

BY EDITH BLUMER BOWEN



IN THOSE far off days, in the late eighties, before the automobile began whirling us hither and yon and scattering the happy groups who used to foregather for simple pleasures, I first saw the village of Sierra Madre nestling in the sun at the foot of the "Mother Mountains." In 1881, Mr. N. C. Carter, an enterprising and farsighted New Englander, bought the eleven hundred acre tract from E. J. (Lucky) Baldwin and named it Sierra Madre. So enamored was he with its beauty and possibilities that he longed for his New England friends to share it; so he started railroad excursions from Massachusetts, and many New Englanders came to California to make Sierra Madre their home.

A newspaperman's excursion from San Francisco brought Miss Fanny Hawks and her mother here in 1881, and they settled down on a ranch purchased by her brother, Nelson Hawks. This was the first piece of land sold from the Carter tract.

Mr. and Mrs. John Richardson had crossed the plains in a covered wagon. Rumor had it that one of their sons was scalped by the Indians on the way. Mr. Richardson and his wife (commonly known as Old Mother Richardson) took up a government claim here long before Sierra Madre came into existence.

PART OF THE claim is now known as Marlborough Terrace. It also included part of the Canyon and what is now known as Cypress Court where the original house still stands. The Richardsons gave the land, later known as the Churchill Ranch, to their daughter, Mrs. Smith, where she and her husband built a shack to house themselves and their rapidly arriving thirteen children. This shack stood somewhere near the site of the present Chinese house owned by Edward E. Hartwell, and across the street from the Deweys.

Mr. Smith, a veteran of the Civil War, was still basking in —Turn to page 4—

Prospectors and Cowboys en masse, Lions, Pups, Cats and Kittens, Baton Twirlers, Soldiers, Reeves Ranger Band from Bellflower, Monrovia Fire Department, Sierra Madre Fire Department, Cub Scouts, Floats from Toy Loan, Hospital Guild, the National Guard, the Fritz Family, the V. F. W., the Nursery School, Boy and Girl Scouts, the Indians, the Woman's Club, Kiwanis Club, the Congregational Sierra Plymouth.

11:30 A. M. or thereabouts—Live Chameleons given out, Gifts of the Lions Club and the News, to Children under 12 who have officially entered the Parade.

9:30 P. M.—Whisker Judging at Carnival Grounds. Prizes awarded for longest and most artistic fuzz.

10:00 P. M.—Drawing for prizes now displayed in Howard's Store Window.

Sunday, June 12  
Carnival Folds Up.

## Thursday, June 9

9:00 A. M.—Carnival and Midway open. Spinwheels, Merry-go-round, Tinker Town Train, Concessions of all kinds, Ferris Wheel, Caterpillar. On Carnival Grounds East of Woman's Clubhouse.

## Friday, June 10

9:00 A. M. to 11 P. M.—Carnival, Midway, Concession.

12:00 NOON ON—Kangaroo Court, Portable Jail—Fines, Jail, Dunking for Beardless Males.

## Saturday, June 11

9:00 A. M.—Carnival opens.

9:00 A. M.—and continuing all day, Kangaroo Court and Penalties.

10:00 A. M.—Parade Formation on Highland avenue East of Baldwin.

10:30 A. M.—Lions Club Pioneer Days Parade.

Grand Marshall, Mrs. Edith Blumer Bowen, Pioneer, and the Sierra Madre Pioneer Ladies—Miss Daisy Hawks, Miss Elizabeth Steinberger and Mrs. Etta Dickson Leguin.

Costumed Walkers, Many Gay and Amusing and Amazing Floats, Silver-saddled Horses and Horsemen, Three Bands,



## Square Dance

Masons, Eastern Stars Honor Pioneer Days With Dance Saturday

Masons and Eastern Star members announce a "rough and tumble old time party for

rhythmic floor stompers" (barn dance) to be given in honor of Pioneer Days at the Masonic Temple at 8:00 p.m. Saturday (June 11).

An evening of fun, dancing, refreshments and prizes are promised by dance commissioners Tom Meader and George Blomquist.



**GIRL SCOUTS** all around here are excited... making plans for CAMP. We're enjoying it too, at the Balling Baby Shop, outfitting 'em with "greenies," T shirts, socks, sweaters, bathing suits, flashlights and all kinds of official GS camp equipment. **LUCKY GIRLS!**

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HEADQUARTERS FOR GIRL SCOUT CAMP EQUIPMENT

## Mrs. Lorena Barker Passes Away Suddenly

Services were held yesterday (Wednesday) at Grant Chapel in Sierra Madre for Mrs. Lorena Belle Barker, 82, who passed away suddenly last Tuesday. She had been a resident of Sierra Madre for 25 years and a resident of California for 39 years. She lived at 281 Santa Anita Court.

She was a native of Indiana and the widow of William Millard Barker. She is survived by one son, Sherwood J. Barker, of Sierra Madre.

Following the 2 p.m. services in Grant Chapel, with the Reverend Clarence Nida officiating, interment was in the family plot at Sierra Madre cemetery.

## Anniversary Services At Trinity Church

The Congregation of Trinity Presbyterian Church will observe its first anniversary as an organized church Sunday (June 12). The anniversary service will be conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Clarence H. Shackelford, in the Masonic Temple, the temporary meeting place of the congregation.



To the gentleman who was seen looking in the windows of Hopper's Jewelry Store opposite the P. E. Station at 10:30 P.M. last night. If he will come in any day during our store hours we will reward him with the pleasure of owning a Bulova from as little as \$24.75.

**BYRON HOPPER**

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**WEARY AND WORN** are Sierra Madre Lions after weeks of planning and worrying for the annual Pioneer Days Celebration. Unable to be present for the above picture was Al

Morgan, promotion man and the biggest worrier, and Sterling Ripple, chairman for the big parade. Left to right above under the brush are D.R. Dickson; Bob Schneider; Sid Hamill,

general chairman for the celebration; Carl Peterson, his assistant; Mel Stine, Lions secretary; and Lloyd Welch, Lions Club president.

## RAILWAY EXTENSION OPENED 1906; RESIDENTS CONTRIBUTE \$23,000

The Sierra Madre extension of the Pacific Electric railway was opened January 1, 1906.

To secure this extension, a bonus of \$20,000 was paid to the Los Angeles Inter-Urban Railway Co., the builders of the road, and \$4191.50 was expended in securing rights-of-way. Toward these amounts the residents and owners of property in Sierra Madre contributed over \$23,000. After paying all expenses, a rebate of 17 cents on the dollar was paid to all those who subscribed twice to the bonus and rights of way fund. (Sierra Madre Dictionary, 1906.)

## PROGRESS

Time Has Arrived for Adopting Newer Methods For Sake of Progress

Pioneers are mighty useful citizens. Through sheer force of circumstances they have often to adopt crude and makeshift methods. As civilization advances they learn that the day has gone by for makeshift, and that the time has arrived for more permanent and orderly procedure.

Fortunately one of the chief characteristics of a pioneer is his adaptability.

When a town arrives at the dignity of an electric car service, the time has arrived for adopting the newer methods if it is to be regarded as a live and progressive place.

When therefore its citizens become inspired with the new spirit of civic pride, and local patriotism, there are several things they will consider it their duty to avoid. They will not dump their old cans into a ditch to be washed down to their neighbors by the first heavy rain. If they have bought a lot cheap because a water course runs through it, they will not divert it to their neighbors, because this is contrary to the law. When they have cleaned off the weeds in the road in front of their property, they will not forget to burn them.

If they decide to build a wall, and ditch, in front of their property, they will not, if they are wise, build a dry wall and plaster the joints in front and expect it to stand the rush of storm water in a foothill country.

Nor will they lay a narrow ditch with small rock, instead of laying a wide ditch with good heavy stone. When they trim their shade trees they will not leave the cuttings in a heap in the ditch to divert the water and cut out the side of the road.

Besides avoiding all these mistakes, they will not forget to subscribe to the Development Association, which, in its turn, will help them by looking after the frontage of neglected lots, in their neighborhood, owned by absentees. (From J. G. Blumer's "A Dictionary

## Recreation

Three-Week Program of Crafts, Supervised Play for Adults, Youngsters

A three-week recreation program sponsored by the Recreation Commission for both youngsters and adults will open Monday (June 13) at the Sierra Madre Grammar School. For the first time, free evening crafts classes for adults will be offered.

From 10 a. m. to 3 p. m., Mondays through Fridays, there will be supervised play on the playground for all school-age children. In addition, from 10 a. m. to 12 noon, and from 1 p. m. to 3 p. m. there will be crafts classes for the youngsters.

On Tuesday and Thursday evenings, (starting June 14), from 7 p. m. till 9 p. m. two crafts classes will be open to adults, with special encouragement to parents to bring their older boys and girls to join in family projects. Mr. Mark Havenhill will direct a woodshop class, and Mrs. Hugh McCrum, talented craftsman of this city, will hold a class in copper and leather work.

of Sierra Madre and a Guide, Philosopher and Friend for Tourists, Travellers and Investors." 1906.)

## Stewart Macaulay Elected to Muir

Stewart Macaulay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Macaulay of 51 Canon Drive, has been elected to several honorary groups at John Muir College, where he will be a junior next fall.

Beta Phi Gamma, national honorary journalistic fraternity, invited Stew to membership because of his radio accomplishments. He writes and produces Sports Parade, the Western States Conference Junior College Sports Show on KXIA, Saturdays at 6:15 p. m.

Stew was also elected representative at large for the student body board, and has attained membership in Alpha Gamma Sigma, honorary scholarship society, and Phi Kappa Epsilon, honorary school service society.

Walter Ashton Tatge, 23, son of Mrs. Noren Eaton, will graduate Monday (June 13) from Baylor Medical College at Houston, Texas.

Young Tatge, a Phi Beta Pi fraternity member, will intern at the Kansas City General Hospital, Mo. He received his pre-medical training at UCLA, as a Navy V-12.

## ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC TONIGHT

Climax of Spring activities and high point of the year for the Sierra Madre Community Nursery School will be the third Annual Family Picnic tonight (June 9) at the City Park, when all parents and children gather together for the only time during the year in one activity.

This occasion precedes the final day of the Spring Session at the Nursery School, which closes June 11 to June 26 for a short vacation. Regular activities will resume on Monday, June 27.

Preparations for the picnic were made by Mrs. Alexander Black, outgoing chairman of the arrangements committee, Mrs. Jay Schmidt, Mrs. Robert Parker, Mrs. Charles Skutt, Mrs. Dorothy Tiller and Mrs. Harold Pangborn.

## GARDEN TEA AND FAIR AT BRITISH HOME

The British Home for the Aged will hold a Garden Tea and Fair at 647 Manzanita Avenue Saturday (June 11) from 11:30 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Entertainment feature will be bagpipe melodies. There will be booths of hand-made articles, home-cooked food and other refreshments. Games will be played, and afternoon tea served.

Mrs. Walter Aiton is chairman of arrangements. Guests throughout the district are expected, and a cordial invitation to the community to attend is extended by Mrs. W. H. Holt, President of the Home.

## COORDINATING COUNCIL MEET

Set Regular Date For First Tuesday of Month

Regular meetings of the Coordinating Council will be held the first Tuesday of each month from 7:30 p. m. until 9 p. m., Council Chairman Eugene Lunsford announced.

At its meeting this week Charles Skutt was named chairman of the council's camping committee and Henry Nuetzel chairman of the health and safety committee.

Mrs. P. R. Woodworth announced that the Youth Hut would have a regular "clean-up" detail. One Saturday a month the Girl Scouts will police the building and the Camp Fire Girls one other Saturday, she said.

The Coordinating Council is made up of one representative from each organization in the city, and each representative has one vote in council matters, Lunsford said. The meetings, however, are open to the public.

## KIWANIS HOST TO ARCADIAN

Members of Arcadia's Kiwanis Club were guests at an inter-club meeting Tuesday noon at the Woman's Club House.

Representatives of Goodyear Tire Company showed a sound film on "The Advantages of Living in America." Roy Pickett was program chairman.

Attendance prize was taken by Lloyd Howard.

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<b>MARGARINE</b>	Dalewood Brand. Use as Spread or in Cooking lb.	20¢	<b>HALVED PEARS</b>
<b>BEET SUGAR</b>	5-lb. bag 44¢	10-lb. bag 87¢	Highway Brand 29-oz. can 29¢
<b>BUTTER</b>	Spring House, U. S. Grade A First Quality, Sweet Cream lb.	66¢	<b>CANNED PEAS</b>
<b>LARGE EGGS</b>	GRADE A Oak Glen, Fresh dozen	59¢	Cardenside Standard 16-oz. can 25¢
<b>GRATED TUNA</b>	Torpedo Brand Light Meat 6-oz. can	25¢	

<b>WHITE CORN</b>	Gardenside Cream style 2 16-oz. cans 23¢	<b>LAMB ROAST</b>	Square Cut Shoulder Full 5-Rib lb. 58¢
<b>TIDE</b>	For all washing 49-oz. pkg. 69¢ 18-oz. pkg. 25¢	<b>ROUND STEAK</b>	Best Cut from U. S. Graded "Good" Beef lb. 73¢
		<b>GROUND BEEF</b>	For Meat Loaves. In Visking Casing. lb. 37¢
		<b>RABBITS</b>	Frying Size, Fresh Dressed Serve Fried Rabbit for Dinner lb. 49¢
		<b>SLICED BACON</b>	Grade A Layer Pack lb. 49¢

<b>CITRUS SOAP</b>	Granulated. For Dishes 22-oz. pkg. 22¢	<b>Pork Sausage</b>	Pure Pork. In Visking. lb. 45¢
		<b>Lamb Meat</b>	Spiced. In piece or sliced. lb. 39¢
		<b>Fillet of Sole</b>	Pan ready. No waste. lb. 39¢
		<b>Lamb Rib Chops</b>	Short cut. Trimmed. lb. 89¢
		<b>Veal Shoulder</b>	To roast. Fully trimmed. lb. 55¢
		<b>Veal Breast</b>	To stew or barbecue. lb. 29¢

<b>JUICE ORANGES</b>	Loose Pack Valencia lb. 4¢	<b>GREEN BEANS</b>	Kentucky Wonders Pole Grown 2 lbs. 19¢
<b>NEW POTATOES</b>	No. 1A, Large, White Rose lb. 3¢	<b>BING CHERRIES</b>	Northern Grown lb. 17¢
<b>TOMATOES</b>	Firm, Ripe, Right Size for Slicing lb. 10¢		
<b>Salad Mix</b>	Vegetable. Cello bag. 8-oz. bag 9¢	<b>Yellow Onions</b>	Medium size. To slice. 3 lb. 10¢
<b>Spinach</b>	Packed in Cello bag. 10-oz. bag 14¢	<b>Lemons</b>	For summer beverages. lb. 15¢

JUNE Family Circle MAGAZINE 5¢

## Vacation

School's out! Vacation's here! The regular session of the Sierra Madre Public School closes today (Thursday). Teachers will remain tomorrow to complete their reports.

Awards and certificates were presented at the Award Assembly yesterday when the sixth-graders, who will attend Marshall Junior High next fall, said their goodbyes. (Ed. Note: Names of award winners and departing students will be published next week.)

## Sierra Madre Lodge

No. 408, F. & A. M.

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## NURSERY

Recreation Commission Will Meet to Decide Request

ASSOCIATION SEEKS HUT

Would Move From Church to City-Owned Building

RAISE LEGAL QUESTION

A special meeting of the City Recreation Commission was being scheduled for next week to decide the question of the proposed relocation of the Nursery School at the Youth Hut.

The suggestion that the Sierra Madre Nursery School Association move from the Congregational Church and the city park playground to the city-owned Youth Hut became controversial at a meeting of the Recreation Commission last Monday.

The City Council last month had referred the association's request to the Commission which was to have determined the feasibility of the switch.

Objections to the proposal, however, were made by representatives of such organizations as the Boy and Girl Scout groups and Kiwanis. The Kiwanis Club built the original Youth Hut for general organizational use, and the Girl Scouts, through its cookie-fund campaign, built the addition.

RAISE LEGALITY

The Recreation Commission members raised question of legality. It was pointed out that although the Nursery Association was a non-profit group, a fee is charged to help cover expenses of training pre-school

age children during morning hours five days a week.

The matter was referred to City Attorney T. Guy Cornyn who said:

"The City Council has not authority to permit the use of public property for any purpose which is in any way commercial in character.

"The city property, including the parks and public buildings, are for the use of the public generally, and while it is possible to allot the use of certain buildings at certain hours for specific agencies, the Council cannot turn over to any agency the exclusive use of city property unless the purpose is a public one.

"The agency which uses the property should make no charge for the use of the building."

Study Law

He said that he would make a study of the law and bring the matter up at the Council meeting next Tuesday.

"I am not sufficiently acquainted with the background and purpose of the organization to give an immediate legal opinion," Cornyn said.

Two councilmen attended the Monday recreation meeting. Henry Nuetzel opposed the association's proposal, and William A. Kinney, himself a director of the Nursery School, expressed himself as sympathetic to it.

Mrs. Howell White, Jr., president of the Association, said that no definite date had been set for leaving the Congregational Church, where the organization has been since its formation approximately two years ago.

Large Enrollment

"We now have 40 children,

## CITY JUDGE MEAD'S COURT

City Judge John Mead's Court has been humming with activity for the past week or so. Assorted drunk drivers have been coming and going—with the unhappy look occasioned by "One hundred dollars or thirty days—driver's license suspended for ninety days."

After jurors had been subpoenaed for a jury trial which was to have been held last Thursday, the defendants, Mr. and Mrs. House Olson, 704 Canyon Crest, waived the jury trial. They were represented by Pasadena Attorney Vernon Hunt.

They appeared with counsel in Judge Mead's City Court and paid \$100 fines each on a violation of a city ordinance for being drunk.

Earl DeWitt Bunn, 832 Woodland Drive, appeared before Judge Mead last Monday and posted bond and asked for a hearing on drunk driving charges, which was set for June 23.

John George Connelly, 138 Eldorado street, Arcadia, was arraigned last Friday on drunk driving charges after being held overnight in the city jail and was handed a fine of \$150, or 30 days in jail.

John Glover Douthitt, 1168 Sierra Bonita, Pasadena, was arraigned last Monday for drunk driving and was also handed the penalty of \$150 or 30 days. He paid.

and applications for next year indicate an enrollment which will make the church facilities inadequate," Mrs. S. White said.

"We think we could add a building at our expense through a fund raising campaign—to the present Youth Hut and deed it to the city as the other groups have done," she said. "It is hard to convince people that we are a community organization and fit a definite need here."

Mrs. John E. Conzelman, representing the Girl Scouts, was one of those to oppose the use of the Youth Hut.

"The Girl Scouts oppose the Nursery School's use of the Youth Hut generally and oppose the storing of equipment in the existing building and using the Girl Scout room, because space taken by them would make the Hut inadequate for other organizations," Mrs. Conzelman said.

"We have, however, no objections to any proposal they might make as to the construction of another building."

Lt. Cmdr. Vickrey, Family in Honolulu

Lt. Cmdr. W. C. Vickrey left yesterday for Honolulu, where he will be stationed for three years at the Pearl Harbor Submarine Base. His wife and children, Ann and Bill, sailed with him from San Francisco. They came to Sierra Madre last August from New York.

READING CLASS

A class in fundamentals of reading is to be offered in the Monrovia Arcadia-Duarte High School summer session, June 20 to July 29. This class will be conducted by a teacher well prepared in elementary school reading, but the materials will be presented on the high school level.

FRENCH AWARDS FOR TWO SIERRA MADRE STUDENTS

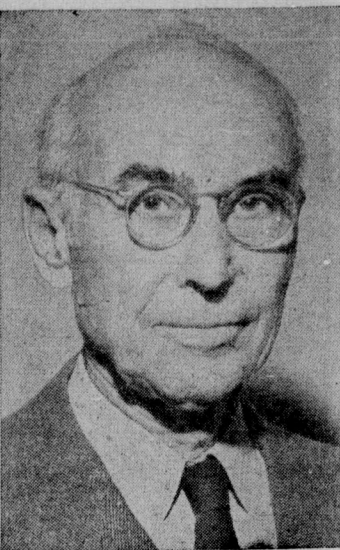
Two Sierra Madre coeds from Pasadena City College have received honors in the California division of a French contest conducted by the American Association of Teachers of French.

Sonia Cohen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Cohen of 145 Sunnyside Avenue, placed third in the third year French student section. Barbara Stunden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Flint E. Stunden of 419 West Grandview Avenue, received honorable mention in the second-year section.

Sonia will be awarded a medal donated to the contest committee by the government of France. She also has a chance for a scholarship in the National division, winners of which will be announced later in June.

## W. S. Hull Enters Octogenarian Ranks Monday

W. S. Hull, leading citizen and merchant of Sierra Madre since 1912, entered octogenarian ranks Monday following a huge birthday anniversary reception held at the



W. S. HULL

San Marino home of his daughter, Mrs. Cynthia D. Baugh.

By virtue of years' service and age, Mr. Hull is uncontested as the oldest merchant in Sierra Madre. He bought into the Sierra Madre Hardware Co. shortly after his arrival here in 1912 and continues active in the business.

Mr. Hull was born in Saluie, Mich., in 1869. Graduate of a business college, he also taught in them in northern California. He designed church, school and bank furniture for a Canadian firm and came to Sierra Madre expecting to enter the furniture business.

Always interested in Masonry, he is a member of the Blue Lodge, life member of Knights Templar and a member of Al Malaikah Temple of Los Angeles.

Mr. Hull is a director of the Sierra Madre Bank, a member of the Congregational Church and the Arts Guild.

Sunday's large reception was given by Mrs. Hull, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hull and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baugh. Assisting were Mrs. Marian Galbraith, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Schwartz, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Emile Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Baugh.

FRANK ADAMS L. A. COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF

Frank J. Adams has completed his police training and is now a full-fledged Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Adams of 255 San Gabriel Court.

Frank, a Sierra Madrean for 23 years, now resides with his wife and two children in Monrovia. He served 3½ years with the Navy during World War II.

PRE-SCHOOL PLAY GROUP

Teachers of the Monday morning Pre-School Play (Parent Education) Group, which is sponsored through the County Education program, urge mothers interested in attending the group throughout the summer to be present at the regular meeting next Monday morning (June 13) at the City Park from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. If there is sufficient enrollment of mothers (with their children), the Play Group will be continued during the summer months.

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## Rufus Lloyd Services Held

Services for Rufus Lloyd, 62, 237 Vista Circle Drive, were held Tuesday morning at St. Rita's Church. Mr. Lloyd passed away Friday morning at St. Luke Hospital after a long illness.

He leaves his wife, Gretchen, and sons: John F. of Inglewood, and Rufus F. of San Francisco. Services were in charge of Grant Chapel.

FLEE IN BUFF

Lost—Two pairs pants, two shirts, two pairs shoes, presumably by two young boys departing in haste last Friday from a swiped swim in the pool belonging to James Duff, 1005 East Grandview.

Mr. Duff reports to local police that he will 'hold clothes until called for.' Any questions asked?

GRAND LADIES

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were known as "the pretty girls in the brown velvet dresses with the wide sashes." Mrs. Bowen's father, John George Blumer, was active in all city affairs and was the guiding light of the Public Library for many years.

Mrs. Bowen herself has been on the Library Board for 27 years, and was an active Red Cross worker during both wars. She is Historian for the Historical Society.

In addition to her long list of other accomplishments, she was the star in many local theatricals and was called the "queen of Sierra Madre society."

Etta Dickson Leguin came to Sierra Madre in the fall of 1887 with her parents. She went through school here and is still living in the home on the property her parents bought in '87. She recalls vividly the Sierra Madre of yesterday when long hikes were taken through the vineyards and into the canyon, and the happy picnics at the end of the walk.

Mrs. Leguin has been very active in the city's church work and philanthropic ventures. She has a daughter and a son, and two grandchildren. She has as a current hobby, in addition to keeping a large house, the collecting of rare and valuable buttons. She lives at 169 W. Montecito.

Miss Daisy E. Hawks arrived in Sierra Madre in the summer of 1887, and lived on the property purchased by her father, Ammi Hawks, in 1882. Her aunt and grandmother had bought property in Sierra Madre at the same time.

All the members of the Hawks

families have been prominent in Sierra Madre history, past and present. Miss Hawks is active in the work of the Church of the Ascension, which stands on land given by the Hawks family.

Miss Daisy Hawks has traveled extensively, in the States and abroad, but always returned to Sierra Madre. Miss Hawks lives at 50 East Grandview.

Miss Elizabeth Steinberger made her first appearance in Sierra Madre in January of 1885 at the age of 6 months. She lives in the second family home built at 539 Mariposa. The first Steinberger home was on Sierra Madre boulevard.

Miss Steinberger taught in Sierra Madre school for more than 23 years, and for 17 years she was principal. She was active in the organizing of the Community Nursery School and is now a member of the Board of Trustees. She is the newly elected President of the Women's Club.

Her life is a busy one but she seems to find time for gardening and writing along with her other activities.

PARADE

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Clifford Nutt's ancient Pack-

ards. The Sierra Madre Fire Department and the Monrovia Department will again vie to see who's funniest. Prospectors, cowboys and cowgirls, small size, will be all over the place. Eight pups and mother (pups assorted), and a 3-year-old horse ridden by a 10-year-old child have filled out entry blanks now on file with Rip-

ple. The Bellflower Reeves Ranger Band will again be the big noise and there will be Cub Scouts and Mariners, the Color Guard of Heavy Mortar Company of the California National Guard, the V.F.W., the Kiwanis Club's Explorers Post 108, the "Y" Indians.

Judging of Parade entries will be done by Bea Turner of the Long Beach Horsemen and Lonn Hill of the Bellflower Fair Association. Trophies will be given to the sweepstakes winner and the best musical entry. First, second and third ribbons will also be awarded.

Ribbons will go to men and women's singles, matched, and

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pairs, in silver mounted and plain western entries. Ribbons also will go to novelty floats and singles, old and unusual autos, drill teams and march-

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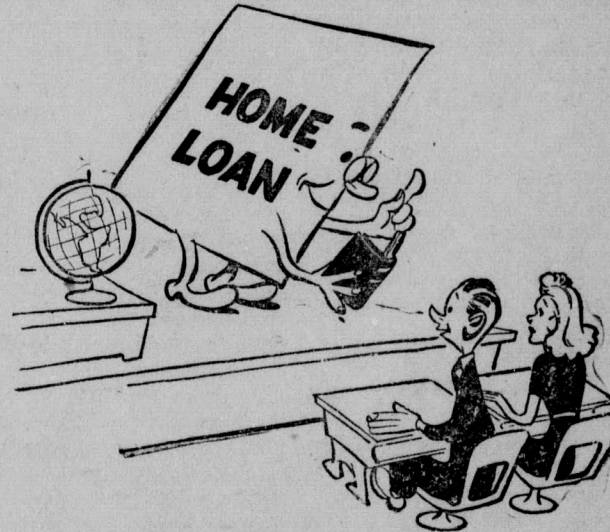
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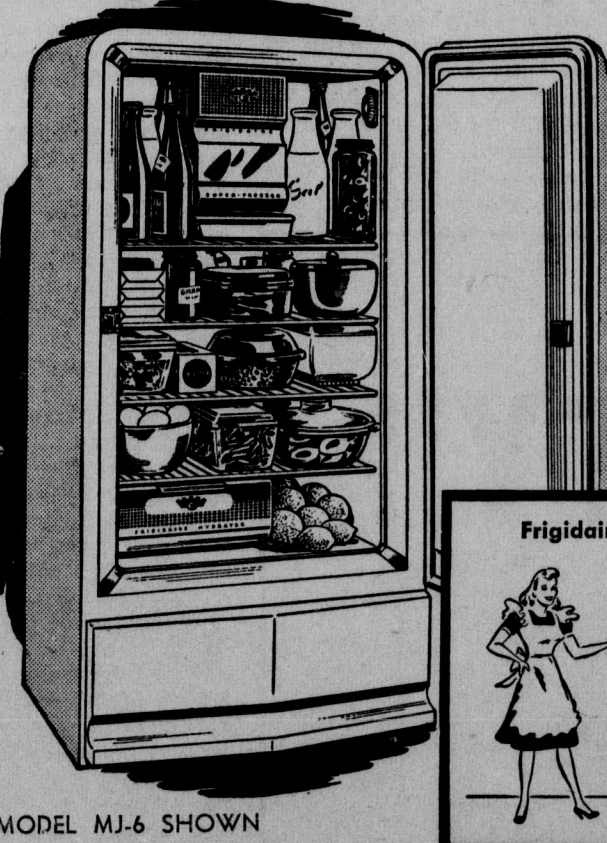
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Your editors for this special edition are Edna and Art Hewitt.

It was their brainbusting—and bluster—cussing and brown ink mixture, photo-findings, dummies and odd-stepped heads that gave you what you are now reading.

It was they who braved the

basements for battered biographies, ransacked attics for ancestral anecdotes, loosened modest tongues, lent ears to early events and dusted off the pageantry of the past that you might better see the makings of your Sierra Madre.

Edna and Art, take a bow.

### DAYS OF YESTERYEAR

bygone glory while his wife raised the babies and tilled the fields. She was immensely proud of her husband's past achievements, and her chief interest aside from her family was the Godfrey Post of the G.A.R. It was said that she named her last baby Adalissa Godfrey Post Smith. Shortly after Adalissa's advent, Mr. Smith died and the family moved north. The last heard of them, Mrs. Smith had married a one-eyed tramp who eventually eloped with her own and was seen no more.

According to Miss Fanny Hawks, there were seventeen families in Sierra Madre in the year 1883. They included the Gregorys, Pierces, Hosmers, Cooks, Andrews, Hawks, and

Carters among others. 1884 brought seven more families, among them Prof. J. J. Hart, Steven R. Norris, and Mrs. Robert Ross who donated the ground for the Public Library. Between 1884 and 1888, came the Greshams, Steinbergers, Reeds, Dicksons, Blumers, Cops, Osgoods, and many more. A few years later came the Vanniers, and, after seven years, the Humphries.

IN THE very early days of Sierra Madre, surprise parties were the order of the day, and the bedrooms of the favored recipients would be filled to overflowing with rows of sleeping Smith children and others on beds and floor, while their parents made merry in the adjoining rooms. They were lucky that there was no "Virginian" there to mix the babies up. The first entertainment given in Sierra Madre was in 1884. It was held at the home of Mr. Henry Hosmer before the partitions of the house were erected. It must have been a concert, since Mrs. C. E. Cook made the hit of the evening singing "Waiting at the Brookside."

In the late eighties and the early nineties, Dr. Fred Gresham, Sierra Madre's first physician, was an enthusiastic amateur actor. He directed and acted in many plays for the benefit of the Episcopal Church and the Public Library, and among the first plays given were "Cox and Box," "Ici On Parole Francaise," and "Slasher and Crasher." At his death, his brother, Dr. Arthur Gresham, succeeded him both as physician and dramatic director. Light opera was his specialty, and among those he produced were "Trial by Jury," "The Sorcerer," and "Contrabandista."

Many were the happy times we had at rehearsals. Later, Mace Thomson wrote and directed his own plays; and still later, Henry E. Twose. When the early days were a thing of the past, Norval McGregor, Mrs. Jessica Wright, Cecily Allen and Virginia Steinberger carried on the good work for a time. Sierra Madre was noted for its histrionic talent, and many a bus-load of prominent Pasadena people came to witness our performances.

In those early days in the village was a grocery store and kept the Post Office in the house now occupied by Perley Poore Sheehan. The mail was brought up from San Gabriel three times a week. Our butcher used to drive up to the door with his meat wagon, also three times a week, as I remember. One day he announced that he had "got religion" and no longer weighted his hand! We were thankful, since he had a very large hand.

There were many English people in Sierra Madre and, though highly intelligent in their own country, they were often rightly called greenhorns or "tenderfeet" in their adopted land.

Dr. Fred Gresham, a much beloved and highly respected member of the community, knew little of he reptiles and wild beasts of the mountains. Straight from the suburbs of London, he arrived with a large assortment of firearms to protect himself against the dangers of the "Wild West." One day there was wild excitement in his back yard. "Quick, Fred, bring a gun," his sister-in-law cried, "there is a large black snake under the orange tree." Bang! bang! went the gun. The doctor was evidently a good shot for the snake lay very still. Cautiously they approached. What was their chagrin to discover that it was only a blacksnake whip.

These same Englishmen knew little about horses. Dr. Gresham owned Dick and Bob, and Bob used to talk. I remember the doctor remarking that "Bob was too much of a gentleman to work." They lit a fire under him one day to get him started, and I remember, as a child, thinking it a strange way to treat a gentleman.

John Hardwick Lewis, an artist, owned Rock and Tommy. The only way you could make Tommy run was to stick pins in him. Later, the Lewis family bought a new horse and, to celebrate the event, painted the shafts of the buggy a bright red. The horse, with an outraged sense of decorum, refused to back into such "jazzy" shafts; so thereafter he was always blindfolded before the process of hitching up began.

MY FATHER was not immune to the ignorance of horseflesh. He knew more about books and business. He purchased a white horse (half bronco) from the Baxter stables in Monrovia. Looking back on the behavior of that animal, I feel sure that we was "loosed." He would let no one touch his ears (one sign of a loosed horse). One day he would behave like an angel and the next day like the devil incarnate. He would steadily back when harnessed, and would finally sit down like a cat with his "paws" over the shafts. We kept him for ten years. Why, I don't know.

Some of the old horses were in the pioneer families so long

that they got a "family look." There was Carter's Belle, Andrews' Cricket, Hawks' Fanny, Blumer's John, Osgood's Bijou, Hart's Charlie and Frank, and later, Humphries' Daisy. Daisy, being the youngest, outlived them all, and was the last of the old guard. She was quite a pet. She was driven in a two-wheeled yellow cart, and there was a weight limit for visitors invited to ride. I always had

first schoolhouse in Sierra Madre was on the corner of Orange Grove and Hermosa, and the first school teacher, an eminent educator, Prof. Edward Pierce, who had come here for his health. In this building were held the services of the various church denominations. The Sundays were alternately divided between the Methodists and Baptists, and when a fifth Sunday in the month came along, according to Miss Lydia Webster, the Episcopalians were "squeezed in." There was also a union Sunday school. In 1885, the new schoolhouse was built and the services were held there.

The little Episcopal Church on Baldwin Avenue was finished in February, 1886, and on October 10, 1887 it blew down. The windstorm was not an unusually hard one, but the man who built the church was not conscientious. The nails in the roof were too small. The nails in the altar should have been in the roof. The church fell like a pack of cards. A strange thing happened: the altar with its furnishings, together with the vestments, stood untouched amid the ruins. The plucky parishoners held a meeting on the grounds the next day, subscribed for a new church which was finished on November 17, 1888. This time it was built solidly of stone and is as strong as ever today.

In 1890, the Congregational Church, on Central Avenue at the head of Hermosa, was finished. This was a community church. The members gave church suppers and various entertainments, while the members of the Episcopal Church gave yearly bazaars with dramatic entertainment in the evening. These bazaars and plays were usually the opening of the season after the long quiet summers.

About the year 1888, a tennis club was formed to be known as the Sierra Madre Tennis Club. It was built below the old hotel on Lima Street. Among the best players were Laura Hawks Stevenson, Elsie Blumer Hart, Will Stevenson and the Cops brothers. Many were the dances in the old town hall that were sponsored by this club.

It seemed to be the fashion, at that time, for Englishmen to wear red socks to the dances. When "Uncle" Henry Hosmer, who was something of a wag, received his invitation with R.S.V.P. at the end, he said it must mean "red socks very particular"; so, in answering his invitation, he ended it with W.W.R.S. (will wear red socks).

The Public Library was built by subscription in 1887. Mrs. Ross gave the land but no one was able to endow it. A librarian was engaged for a short time at a very low salary, but the finances could not long stand even that small outlay; so the women members of the board came to the rescue. Each month a different member took entire charge. Not only was she the librarian in the afternoons and evenings; she also filled the lamps and kept the entire building in order and often walked home alone in the dark. My father was president of the library for nineteen years and took a great interest in it. He chose many books, took an inventory once a year, and covered every book with stiff brown paper and renewed the covers when they were worn out. Dramatic entertainments were given, and the proceeds were used to buy books and magazines. In this way the library was kept going for many years until the city finally took it over.

SIERRA MADREANS seemed to be able to amuse themselves in the old days. On the Fourth of July we had picnics at Deutsch's Cabin—the quarter-way house—and up the Big and Little Santa Anita Canyons. There were no houses in the little canyon now called the Sierra Madre Canyon. It was beautifully wooded with a stream trickling or raging over the boulders according to the winter rainfall.

On Thanksgiving afternoons, foot-races were the order of the day. The three-legged and the sack races were the favorites and created great amusement.

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**DAYS OF YESTERYEAR**  
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The races were held on Sierra Madre Boulevard between Auburn and Hermosa Avenues, and the whole village turned out to witness the events. The awarding of prizes was the culmination of the day's entertainments, and happy were the youngsters who received them. Clubs were also formed in those early days for amusement; among them "The Modern Priscillas" with about a dozen original members. This club still meets regularly.

Deeds of valor were not unknown in Sierra Madre. When Emily Brugman (whose mother planted the famous Wistaria Vine) fell into Miss Fanny Hawks' reservoir, she was valiantly rescued by Edith Humphries, an unusually beautiful little girl "with her golden hair a-hanging down her back." I believe that Emily's father presented Edith with a Gold pen as a mark of his appreciation.

One of the most prominent members of the community in the early days was S. R. G. Twycross. He came from Maine on a visit in 1881, and returned to Sierra Madre in 1886 to make this his permanent home. He was very enterprising. He opened a real estate office, sold hay, grain and fuel, as well as insurance, and last, but not least, he drove a bus to and from the Santa Fe station on the Baldwin Ranch for forty years. He carried the mail and was never late in all that time.

The bus was a long covered wagonette with seats running along either side, and was drawn by two horses. Mr. Twycross had to start early to gather up his passengers, since they were scattered all over the tract. The passengers had also to be ready in good time, and often they finished buttoning their shoes or putting on their ties after they had gotten into the bus. Many of them had a good long way to ride for their money (15c) before reaching the station.

Mr. Twycross was always on hand with his bus to meet the two trains each day, one at about nine in the morning, the other about six in the evening. Many private carriages also waited to take members of their families up the hill. The train steamed in, and then began the long procession up Baldwin Avenue. This went on for so many years that it became almost a "rite." If there were dances at the old town hall, Mr. Twycross cheerfully turned out in the rain and landed us at the party safe and dry. If it was fine weather, we usually walked.

The last day of school in our little town was, always quite an event. The exercises were held in the schoolhouse on the corner of Baldwin Avenue and Sierra Madre Boulevard, then known as Central Avenue. Later, they were held in the town hall. The "entertainment" was often very long, as each child had to be given an opportunity to shine in some way before its parents who applauded vigorously for their beloved and talented offspring. The graduates continued their education at the Wilson High School in Pasadena.

Many of our young people went far afield. Among them were William Bixby, to become a well-known engineer; Marian (Daisy) Vannier, to become the head of the school of nursing at the University of Minnesota; John Hart, to become an assistant district attorney in New York City; and George Blumer, to become Dean of the Medical School at Yale University.

We had good concerts in Sierra Madre in those early days. Prof. John Hart, who had studied in Leipzig and later was head of the Conservatory of Music in Cleveland, Ohio, was responsible for some of these. Some of the performers on the piano were Laura Hawks Stevenson, Mrs. Palmer T. Reed and John Hart, to become an as-entitled musician came from the adjoining towns. Later, Tasker Webster organized and directed "The Sierra Madre Brass Band" which was very popular. A bandstand was built in which the band played on festive occasions.

We also had our share of celebrities in Sierra Madre. Among our artists was John Hardwick Lewis who later did such exquisite work in Switzerland. We did not have to go out of town to meet Eugene Field. He came right to our door, wearing the same broad-striped suit that we always saw in his photographs.

There was John Gutzon Borglum, then known as "Johnny" Borglum, a promising young artist from Idaho who had married his art teacher in Los Angeles. His friend, Prof. Hart, sold him a piece of land on the corner of Hermosa and Orange Grove where he eventually built a studio. The Borglums went abroad and later returned with three or four Great Danes and an Italian valet. On their arrival they went straight to the Harts where the dogs made the visit an exciting one. One of the dogs knocked over poor little Stella Norris, who screamed lustily and long; while another stole the leg of lamb planned for the evening meal.

One old man said he would "just as soon meet a bear" as those Borglum dogs. They were quite friendly at times, however, as one tried to crawl into my sister's lap. She did not appreciate the attention. Gutzon Borglum again went abroad to become world famous. He never returned to Sierra Madre; but his wife, who was an excellent artist, lived here for many years.

In "the good old days" the people of Sierra Madre lived a happy and peaceful life. The oil lamps needed constant care, but they served the purpose; and what delicious bread we baked in the old wood stoves! There were no street lamps, but we wandered safely in the dark and never missed them. (We could carry a "stable lantern.") We drove our faithful horses to dances through rain and heavy windstorms, and what fun we had when we arrived! If we wanted to hear good concerts or see good plays, we took the Santa Fe train to Los Angeles. There are compensations in all things.

In the good old days we worried less; now we have more interesting things to worry about. We were more united then than in these modern days, but now we have innumerable occupations and more varied experiences. We have more to do and less time to think; but there is no turning back, and perhaps we would not want to if we could.



THE TENNIS CLUB for many years played on the courts of the old Sierra Madre Hotel, grandly lighted in the background by the new incandescent bulbs. Seated on the ground, left to right, are Jim Hawks, Arthur Capps, Will Stevenson, Richard Chapman, and Dithie Blumer Bowen. In second row, starting with the wearer of the pom-pommed beret, Chas. Lewis, Alma Jones, Lois Holmes, Elsie Blumer Hart, Vandine Ayles, Ada Ayles Kenyon. In the back row, starting with the flowing necktie, Fred Copps, Jessie Gregory, Hilda Blumer Thacher, William Thomas and Daisy Hawks. This was snapped in 1889.

**ELECTION**

Approximately 280 votes were cast in the Sierra Madre precinct for Pasadena Board of Education, but local voters did not favor the three winners.

Here is the vote recorded in Sierra Madre: Mrs. Sigrid Ward, 207; James C. Greene, 139; Dr. A. R. Traylor, 121; Vernon M. Brydolf, incumbent, 103; Mrs. Gladys Rinehart, incumbent, 95; E. K. Davis, 69; Leonard C. Emory, 38; Lawrence C. Lamb, 34; Dudley Atkins, 22; Robert H. Royster, 8, and William A. Blair, 1. Blair, prior to the election, announced that he had withdrawn from the race.

A total of 15,016 votes were cast in the district. Winners were the two incumbents, Brydolf and Mrs. Rinehart, and Lamb.

Breakdown of votes revealed: Brydolf, 7517; Mrs. Rinehart, 6978; Lamb, 5965; Mrs. Ward, 5749; Davis, 4730; Greene, 4118; Traylor, 3269; Atkins, 1307; Emory, 1255; Royster, 385, and Blair, 236.

The vote was 16.2 per cent of 93,262 eligible voters in the High School district.

**Sudden Death of  
Rufus E. Lloyd**

Requiem High Mass was held at St. Rita's Church Tuesday morning for Rufus Edward Lloyd, 62, who died suddenly June 3 at St. Luke's Hospital. His home was at 237 Vista Circle Drive.

Mr. Lloyd, a life member of the Elks Club in Montana, had been a resident here since 1946. He also was a member of Machinists' Local No. 1422 and of St. Rita Catholic Church.

Surviving him are his wife, Gretchen, and two sons, Rufus Jr. of San Francisco and John M. Lloyd of Inglewood.

Recitation of the Rosary was said Monday night at Grant Chapel. Interment, Calvary.

**STORKLAND**

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Harris of 734 Fairview became parents of a girl, Sandra Margot, 5:10 p.m. Saturday (June 4). She arrived at St. Luke Hospital weighing 8 lbs., 3 oz. Mother and daughter are reported feeling "wonderful."

**Torch Players Due**

The Torch Theater Company opens its second summer series of four plays, Saturday, June 18, at the San Gabriel Civic Auditorium. This all-professional troupe, sponsored by the San Gabriel Chamber of Commerce, will first present "Ducy" by Marc Connelly and George S. Kaufman. Curtain time is 8:30 p.m.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF INTENDED SALE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:  
That Robert E. Lomax, Vendor, whose address is 634 West Highland Ave., in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California, intends to sell to Jack Zelkowitz, Vendee, whose address is 108 E. Colorado Street, in the City of Monrovia, County of Los Angeles, State of California, the following described personal property, to-wit: All stock in trade, fixtures, equipment and good will of a certain jewelry business, known as Lomax Jewelry Store, and located at 187 North Fair Oaks Avenue, in the City of Pasadena, County of Los Angeles, State of California, and that a sale, transfer and assignment of the same will be made, and the consideration therefor will be paid at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on the 6th day of July, 1949, at the escrow department of The Bank of Sierra Madre, in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California. Dated June 6, 1949 Robert E. Lomax, Vendor. Pub. 6-9.

**AUTO ACCIDENT  
BRAVERY TOLD**

Jack Williams, 23-year-old Navy Veteran, is recovering in Good Samaritan Hospital, Los Angeles, following a near-fatal auto accident near Newhall, Thursday noon. His two companions, Hubert Tuttle and David Groth of Sierra Madre, are credited with saving his life. He is the son of Mrs. Edith Williams of 400 Mariposa.

The wreck occurred on Highway 99, when Williams, in a small pickup truck, was being towed by Groth and Tuttle. A diesel truck smashed into the rear of Williams' truck and demolished it.

Tuttle held Williams' severed jugular vein together to stop bleeding, while Groth signaled for help. Williams was given five transfusions in the Newhall Emergency Hospital and later was taken to Good Samaritan where he will remain at least five weeks.

Tendons in his left hand are cut and he sustained glass cuts on his face and body.

**Mary Duff Receives  
Phi Beta Kappa Key**

Mary P. Duff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Duff of 1005 East Grandview, was one of 87 Stanford University students in the class of '49 to be elected a member of Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic society.

Mary graduated at Christmastime as a Bachelor of Arts and is a Classics major in Latin and Greek. She is now at the home of her parents and plans to return to Stanford for her Masters Degree in the fall. She hopes eventually to teach in a university.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

25269  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
No. 294511

In the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Los Angeles, In the Matter of the Estate of Elizabeth Wheeler, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, BEN H. BROWN, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR, as Administrator with-will-annexed, of the Estate of Elizabeth Wheeler, Deceased, to the Creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to present them with the necessary vouchers within six months after the first publication of this notice, to the said Administrator at his office at 808 North Spring St., Los Angeles 12, California, which said office the undersigned selects as a place of business in all matters connected with said estate, or to file them with the necessary vouchers, within six months after the first publication of this notice, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Los Angeles. Date: May 24, 1949. JOHN C. MEAD, Administrator of the Estate of said deceased. J. C. MEAD, In Pro Per Attorney at Law, 480 N. Baldwin Ave. Sierra Madre, Calif. Pub. 5-26; 6-2,9,16.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

25040  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
No. 294265

In the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Los Angeles, In the Matter of the Estate of Marie Ianthia LaFlot, also known as Marie LaFlot, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, BEN H. BROWN, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR, as Administrator, of the Estate of Marie Ianthia LaFlot, Deceased, to the Creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to present them with the necessary vouchers within six months after the first publication of this notice, to the said Administrator at his office at 808 North Spring St., Los Angeles 12, California, which said office the undersigned selects as a place of business in all matters connected with said estate, or to file them with the necessary vouchers, within six months after the first publication of this notice, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Los Angeles. Dated: May 27, 1949. BEN H. BROWN, Public Administrator, County of Los Angeles. Pub. June 2, 9, 16, 23.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

24911  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
No. Pasa. P. 8633

Estate of Frederick M. Scott, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Administrator of the Estate of said deceased, to the Creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to present them with the necessary vouchers, within six months after the first publication of this notice, to the said Administrator at his office, 480 N. Baldwin Avenue, City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California, which said office the undersigned selects as a place of business in all matters connected with said estate, or to file them with the necessary vouchers, within six months after the first publication of this notice, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Los Angeles. Date: May 24, 1949. JOHN C. MEAD, Administrator of the Estate of said deceased. J. C. MEAD, In Pro Per Attorney at Law, 480 N. Baldwin Ave. Sierra Madre, Calif. Pub. 5-26; 6-2,9,16.

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**TALK OF ROSES**

Fred W. Walters, founder of the Pacific Rose Society, will speak on "Best Roses for Your Garden" at the 12th dinner-meet of the Sierra Madre Garden Club Monday (June 13) at the Woman's Club House. Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE INVITING SEALED PROPOSALS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed proposals or bids will be received by the undersigned City Clerk of the City of Sierra Madre up to 12:00 o'clock noon Tuesday, June 21, 1949 for furnishing and delivering to said City of Sierra Madre at Sierra Madre Pumping Plant, located at 621 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., in said City of Sierra Madre, one centrifugal direct-connected electric motor driven water pump, complete with electric motor, starter, flexible coupling and base plate, in accordance with Specifications for same on file in the office of the City Clerk of said City, which Specifications are hereby referred to and made a part of this notice.

All bids must be accompanied by a certified check or an approved Surety Company's bond in an amount not less than ten per cent of the total bid.

Delivery of said equipment to be made on or before August 15, 1949.

Bidder must specify available services for major and emergency repairs.

Notice is hereby given that a non-collusion affidavit must be filed with each bid. The failure of any bidder to file such affidavit shall be deemed sufficient reason to disqualify the bid of such bidder.

The City Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids not deemed advantageous to said City of Sierra Madre. Dated: June 7, 1949.

Lawrence B. Brain.  
City Clerk.  
Pub. 6-9

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**MARRIED FIFTY YEARS.** Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Jones celebrated the occasion of the anniversary yesterday with open house in their home bedecked with golden flowers.

## C. W. Jones' Observe Golden Anniversary

From the Des Moines, Ia., Register, June 8, 1889

Vows in marriage were solemnized today between Miss Mary Geneva Holland, only daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. Holland of this city and Charles Worthington Jones of Pennville, Indiana.

The honeymoon for the couple will take them to Chicago, Washington, D. C., New York, and Niagara Falls, of course, Mr. Jones said. They will also visit the Des Moines home of the bride and the groom's home in Indiana.

Scores of friends, old and new, helped Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Jones celebrate their golden wedding anniversary at their home at 49 East Alegria yesterday. Informal open house receptions were held in both the afternoon and evening. The Jones' daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Hudson M. Proctor, and grandson, Philip, came from San Diego for the occasion. Many of Mr. Jones' childhood friends from Indiana attended the reception.

After their Des Moines wedding in 1889, the Jones went to Pueblo, Colorado, where Mr. Jones was supervisor of sciences at Central High School. They remained there until

1905 when the lure of California brought them to Pacific Grove, California.

They came to Southern California and settled in Sierra Madre in May of 1906. They then built the home they still occupy on Alegria.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Jones have been active in civic and social affairs of Sierra Madre. He was elected the first mayor of the city upon incorporation in 1907 and was re-elected for nine years. Mr. Jones was formerly one of the three partners in the Sierra Madre Hardware store.

Mrs. Jones is a charter member of the Woman's Club and a member of long standing of the Dickens Fellowship and the Modern Priscillas. They are both active in the Congregational Church.

The Jones home was filled with golden flowers for the reception and the "bride" wore a corsage of orchids.

**GEORGIANA BISSELL HONORED**  
Georgiana Bissell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Bissell, of 326 N. Sunnyside Ave., was awarded the "Outstanding Player" tennis trophy at the annual banquet of the Girls' Athletic Association of M.A.D. High School.

A senior at M.A.D., Georgiana was president of the Catskill Racquetters, girls' tennis club, during the past year. This is the second time she has won the trophy.

**CENTRAL BRIDGE**  
Mrs. Roy Edwards, Sr., and her daughter, Louise, of 307 Mariposa, are visiting Mrs. Edwards' relatives in Central Bridge, N. Y., and plan to be gone a month.

**ROWS AT OXNARD**  
New grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Row of 68 West Grandview, returned last week from a visit with their new granddaughter, Toni Leanne Hawkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Hawkins of Oxnard. Toni Leanne was born May 18, at Oxnard.

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### BOY SCOUT COURT OF HONOR

A display of seamanship was shown at the June Boy Scouts Court of Honor last Monday when the local Sea Scouts had charge of the program. (Ed. note: Full story of this occasion and awards will appear next week.)

### David F. Morton Rancher, Dies

An illness of ten days took the life of David Francis Morton, orange rancher, who passed away June 2 at his home, 495 East Orange Grove.

Born in Pautucket, R. I., Mr. Morton had lived in Sierra Madre 41 years.

His wife, Caroline F. Morton, survives him.

Services were held at noon June 6 at Forest Lawn. Grant Chapel in charge.

### POLL TAX DUE

Poll Tax of \$2, payable annually, after the first Monday in March, by all adult males, under the age of 60. (Dictionary of Sierra Madre, 1906.) Harry Lange. C-6-9

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## BUSINESS BLOCK AND BANK ASSURED

At last Sierra Madre is done with the "hot air" men on the bank proposition. It is no wonder that our citizens have almost got to the point of doubting anything that may be said about bank here, after all that has been said and turned out to be merely say. But now we can congratulate ourselves that we have men that mean business behind the enterprise, and that it is really going to come.

Little has been said this time but more has been done. Word was received on Monday from Washington that the papers for the First National Bank of Sierra Madre were on the way. As soon as the new building which Chas. Kersting is preparing to put up is ready, the bank will open and occupy the room 25x70 on the Central Ave. corner. The officers of the bank which is capitalized for \$25,000, have not yet been elected. Shas. Kersting, and H. Iver Thomas who has recently moved here, are the promoters and are busy arranging the details.

The new brick building that is going up on the school house grounds will be an ornament to the town. Mr. Kersting has the store rooms all spoken for and the indications are that there will be 'something doing' when the contractors get done. This all means that Sierra Madre is going to see biggest and best year in its history. (Nov. 22, 1906.)

### FAREWELL FLING

Over 30 Sierra Madre friends attended a surprise graduation and farewell party for George Grijalva, Saturday evening, at his home, 136 West Highland. Hostess was his mother, Mrs. Katherine Varela, and brothers, Johnny and Joe Grijalva.

George is a senior spring Pasadena City College graduate and a member of Bacalaureate Restrictive Club. He leaves this week for Oregon and will spend the summer with the U. S. Forestry Service. In the fall, George plans to resume his education at San Jose State College as a language major.

**FRANCES ROBERTSON ARRIVES**  
Miss Frances Caroline Robertson, daughter of Postmaster and Mrs. E. D. Robertson, of 490 N. Sunnyside, arrived in Sierra Madre last Thursday after two years with the Military Attache in Sofia, Bulgaria. Frances is on a six months' leave from government work. She came by boat (S. S. America) from France, and by plane from Washington, D. C.

### OXY ALUMS NOTE

Sierra Madre alumni of Occidental College, Los Angeles, have been invited by Robert L. Shafer, director of alumni activities, to attend the 49er Alumni Day Round-up on the campus, Saturday, June 11. Chairman for this area is Mr. Kenneth Bush, 633 West Sierra Madre Boulevard.

## LIFE ON BUS TO THE SANTA FE

Pioneer S. R. G. Twycross spent the best part of 40 years driving various horse-drawn conveyances and carrying various articles, including the mail and passengers between the Santa Fe Station and Sierra Madre.

The "Annals of Sierra Madre," the forthcoming book of the Historical Society, will carry a full chapter by S. R. G. Twycross, including his life on the bus.

"One lady who lived where the vine now is," Twycross memoirs say, "never would begin to get ready until the bus was at the door. She always had to finish combing her hair and buttoning her boots on the way down."

"Mr. O. S. A. Sprague, who lived in the Dr. Du Bridge house on No. Auburn avenue, would have each winter as guests Mr. Ripley, President of the Santa Fe, and Robert Lincoln (son of our beloved and sainted Abraham Lincoln) of the Pullman Company, all worth more than 10 millions each. And it was interesting to hear the dispute among them who should pay the 15 cents bus fare."

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### AMERICAN LEGION

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet tonight at the home of Mrs. Lloyd Welch, 50 Montecito Court at 8 o'clock. Final plans will be made for the units entry in Saturday's parade.

### FABRIC PAINTING

Miss Edna Arnold demonstrated fabric painting to the public at the Sierra Madre Woman's Club last Wednesday under the sponsorship of the Arts and Crafts Section.

### SILVER ANNIVERSARY

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Shearer, 813 Woodland Drive, helped celebrate their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary last Saturday (June 4) with a shower of silver gifts during an evening of dinner and dancing.

Lorraine Marie Schiltz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Schiltz of 67 E. Highland, and Donald C. Warfel, son of Mrs. Lorena Warfel of Highland Park, Los Angeles, were married Saturday, June 4, at St. Rita's Catholic Church. Marie is Deputy City Clerk.

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A son, Patrick Denis Dooley, was born May 25, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack C. Dooley of 49 West Carter. He arrived weighing 6 lbs, 8 oz. at St. Luke Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Russell of 397 North Mountain Trail, are parents of a daughter, born May 31 at St. Luke Hospital.

### MRS. JAMES PETER KALIVAS

who before her wedding last Wednesday at the Congregational Church was Dorothy Jean Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jones of 20 West Miramonte.

### AT MATTHEWS' HOME

Week-end guests at the Ransom Matthews home, 186 Grove, were Dr. Wilbur Hallenbeck of Columbia University, New York, his father, Dr. William J. Hallenbeck of Claremont, and Mrs. Matthews' mother, Mrs. Mary Gray Street of Woodland, Calif.

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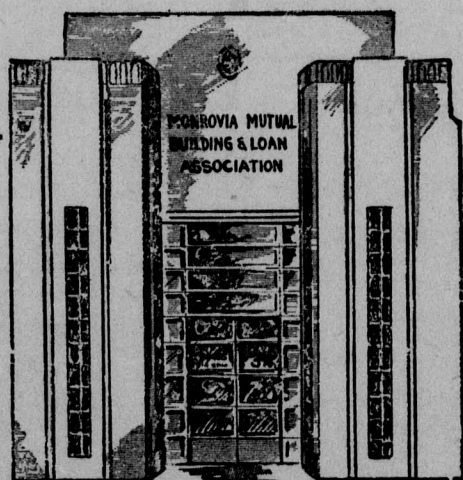
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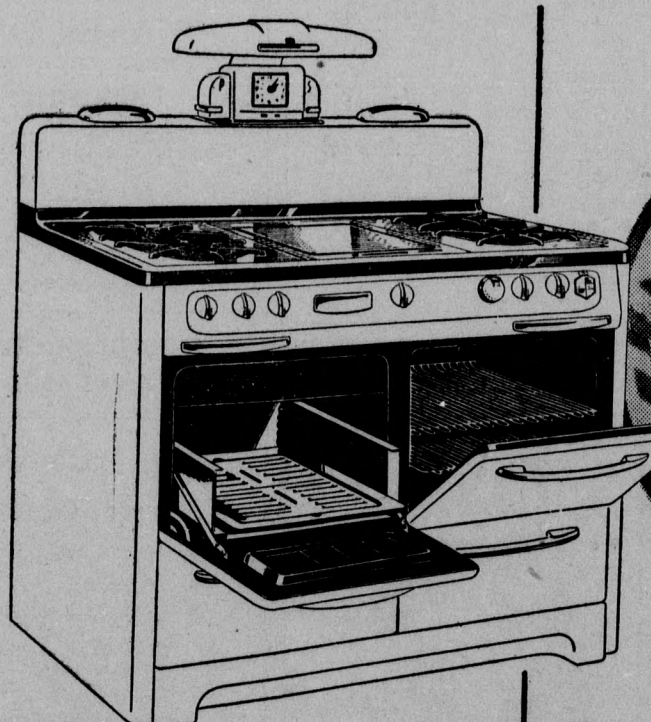
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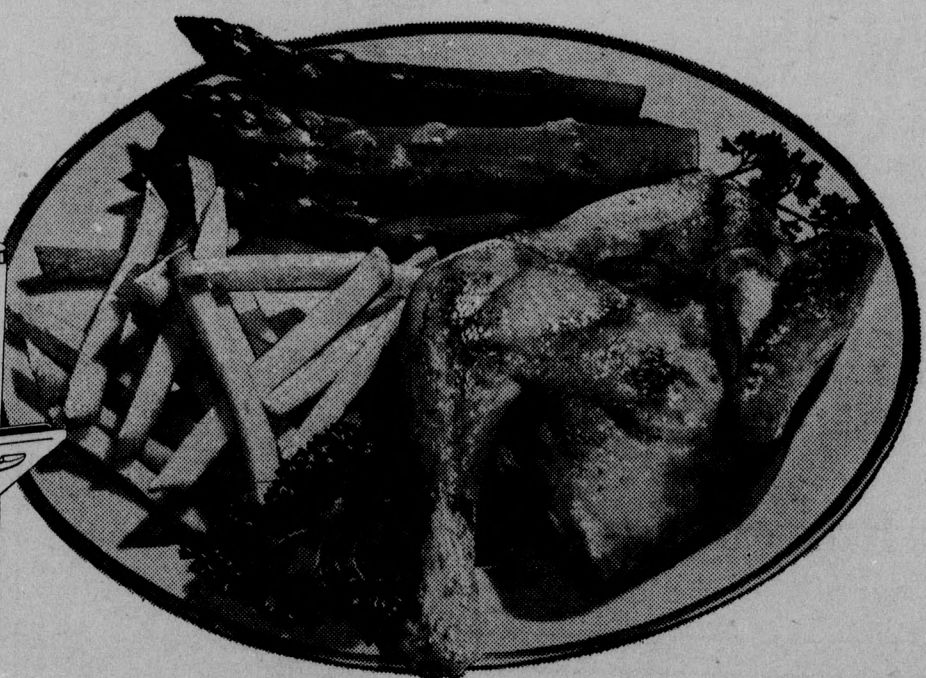
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